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Welcome Center helps visitors experience the Atchafalaya

By Ashley Rodrigue

Visitors traveling on Interstate 10 through Louisiana to reach their Spring Break destinations have a new place to stretch their legs and learn something about the state.

Last summer, the Atchafalaya Basin Program opened the Atchafalaya Welcome Center "smack dab in the middle" of the Atchafalaya Basin in Butte LaRose. It's part rest area, part information center and part Atchafalaya Basin classroom.

State-of-the-art video, audio and animatronic displays teach visitors about the Atchafalaya, its history and the culture it influences. New Orleans-based company WELLDONE designed all of the exhibits, animatronics and video theater presentations.

There are three main exhibit areas in the center that portray the Basin throughout the year: high water, low water and mid-water seasons. Each area is filled with pictures, stories, dioramas and sculptures depicting life in the Basin during that season. Oversized "frames" feature slideshows that offer visitors several glimpses of the Basin's people, wildlife, waterways and flora.

A giant turtle, a raccoon and a roseate spoonbill, that talk and move thanks to modern animatronics, draw visitors to a large display near the queuing **See Atchafalaya Welcome Center, page 2**



A pelican sculpture looks out a window at the Atchafalaya Welcome Center (top). Grand opening visitors were able to see and touch some of the Atchafalaya Basin's wildlife (above). Photos, sculptures and exhibits throughout the 5,856-square-foot center tell the story of the Atchafalaya Basin and its inhabitants.

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area for the center's theater. They each tell part of the Basin's "story."

After watching the animals' presentation, visitors can move into a round theater to watch a five-minute movie about the Basin. The darkened theater has swamp scenes projected on the walls around viewers as an animatronic bird named Ahiee introduces the show. Throughout the film presentation, sights and sounds of the Basin fill the theater.

Cindy Wilkerson, manager of the Welcome Center, said an average of 200 to 250 people visit the facility every day. Those are people who actually take time to sign in. It does not include those who use the restroom facilities and outdoor areas that don't come inside and sign the registry.

Wilkerson said response to the center has been overwhelmingly positive.

"They say it is well-designed and pretty," she said. "The people from this area tell us it is a beautiful representation of the Cajun culture.'

Natural Resources Secretary Scott Angelle said the center will make a lasting impression on visitors to the state.

"As we (Louisiana) are so well-known everywhere for our food and music, so will we be remembered for this educational center," Angelle said.

Additional features of the Welcome Center include a large information center with brochures and maps to points of interest

around the state, outdoor sculpture of native wildlife, covered gazebos for picnicking, restrooms, and RV and 18-wheeler parking.

The Acadian-style Welcome Center cottage was designed by renowned south Louisiana architects Steve Losavio and Ike Capdevielle. The design and construction team included ABMB Engineers of Baton Rouge, consulting engineers Assaf, Simoneaux and Tauzin of Baton Rouge, contractor Arrighi Simoneaux of Baton Rouge and landscape architect Lorrie Henslee of Henslee-Cox in Baton Rouge. The team worked closely with the executive director of the Atchafalaya Basin Program, Sandra Thompson, to keep the center true to its sur-

The Atchafalaya Welcome Center was funded by the Department of Natural Resources' Atchafalaya Basin Program and the Department of Transportation and Development at a cost of approximately \$5.5 million. Of that, only about \$800,000 came from the state and the remainder was federal money. Under the umbrella of the state Lieutenant Governor's Office, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism operates and maintains the facility.

The Welcome Center is open seven days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Restrooms and vending machines are open 24 hours a day. The center is located at Exit 121 off of I-10. For more information, call (337) 228-





Sculptures of alligators, ducks, turtles and other wildife sunbathe in the "yard" at the Welcome Center (above). The design team from WELL-**DONE** in New Orleans created the sculptures and exhibits in the center.

=*Atchafalaya Basin:* history and quick facts =

The Atchafalaya Basin is the nation's largest river swamp, containing almost one million acres of the nation's most significant bottomland hardwoods, swamps, bayous and backwater lakes. The federal Atchafalaya Basin Floodway System encompasses 595,000 acres.

The Atchafalaya Basin Program (ABP) area consists of the federally defined area, in addition to the eight parishes that make up the entire Basin project. The floodway structures (the Old River Control Structures, Navigation Locks and Sidney A. Murray Jr. Hydroelectric Station) allow one third of the combined waters of the Mississippi and Red Rivers to flow into the Basin and up to one half in the event of a major flood.

In 1996, the Department of Natural

Resources (DNR) was named the Lead Agency in the development of a plan to meet the state's responsibility for protecting and developing the Atchafalaya Basin, with the United States Army Corps of Engineers, as directed by Congress in the late 1990s.

Under the leadership of Executive Director Sandra Thompson, the Atchafalaya Basin Program's State Master Plan was completed in 1998 and approved unanimously by the Legislature in 1999. It authorized the spending of \$85 million to be spent over 15 years in order to match federal dollars.

Other state agencies involved in the ABP include the State Land Office and the departments of Agriculture and Forestry; Culture, Recreation and Tourism; Environmental

Quality; Health and Hospitals, Transportation Basin. and Development; and Wildlife and Fisheries. Federal agencies involved include the Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service, National Park Service and the Environmental Protection Agency.

Some interesting facts about the Basin:

It's larger than the Florida Everglades.

It's five times more productive than any other river basin in North America.

It was named in the Choctaw tongue, "hacha" meaning river and "falaia" meaning

About 65 species of reptiles and amphibians inhabit the Basin.

Over 250 known species of birds fly in the

Other species of animals found in the area include the Florida panther, black bear, bobcat, nutria, mink, fox, muskrat, beaver, otter and raccoon.

The Basin is home to the largest nesting concentration of bald eagles in the south central United States.

There are more than 100 different species of fish and aquatic life in the Basin.

The Basin has an estimated average annual commercial harvest of nearly 22 million pounds of crawfish.

The Basin contains the largest contiguous bottomland hardwood forest in North America and is the largest overflow alluvial hardwood swamp in the United States.



Architects Ike Capdevielle and Steve Losavio designed the Welcome Center to look like an Acadian cottage (below). Exhibits are based on the three water levels of the Basin: low, high and mid-water (right). Ahiee, an animatronic bird, swings from the ceiling of the theater while introducing a short Atchafalaya Basin movie to viewers (far right).





Agriculture & Forestry Today with Commissioner Bob Odom

Faced with adversity caused by bad weather and a disease outbreak, Louisiana farmers can say the 2004 crop year ended better than expected, Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom said.

"A few of the crops outperformed our expectations," Odom said. "We had ups and downs in weather and then soybean rust hit us in the fall. It didn't have a major impact last year, but we'll definitely feel its sting this spring during planting."

The USDA's Louisiana Agricultural Statistics Service recently released 2004 end-of-theyear crop acreage and production numbers for all major crops.

Here is a look at how the major crops ended the year:

Corn production is estimated at 55.4 million bushels, down 17 percent from 2003. Harvested acreage decreased 18 percent from 2003 to 410,000 acres in 2004. Yield per acre increased by one bushel per acre to 135 bushels in 2004.

Cotton production is estimated at 885,000 bales, down 14 percent from 2003. Harvested acreage of 490,000 acres in 2004 decreased by about 4 percent from the previous year. Yield per acre was down 100 pounds from 2003 to 867 pounds per

acre in 2004. Although there was a decrease from 2003, it is still the second highest yield on record in Louisiana.

All hay production is estimated at 1.11 million tons, up from 1.10 million in 2003. About 370,000 acres were harvested in 2004, down 10,000 acres from the previous year. Yield per acre, at 3 tons in 2004, set a new state record.

Rice production is estimated at 28.5 million hundredweight, which is an increase of 8 percent from 2003. Harvested acreage, at 538,000 acres, is up 18 percent from 2003. Yield per acre, 5,350 pounds, was

acre in 2004. Although there was a down 520 pounds from last year's decrease from 2003, it is still the secrecord yield.

Sorghum production is estimated at 5.2 million bushels, a decrease of 63 percent from the 14 million bushels produced in 2003. Harvested acreage was 80,000 in 2004 compared to 165,000 acres in 2003. Yield per acre was down 20 bushels from 2003 at 65 bushels per acre in 2004.

Soybean production is estimated at 32.7 million bushels, an increase of 30 percent from 2003. Harvested acreage increased from 740,000 acres in 2003 to 990,000 acres in 2004. Yield per acre dropped one bushel

per acre to 33 bushels in 2004.

Sugarcane production is estimated at 11.2 million net tons, a decrease of 13 percent from 2003. An estimated 465,000 acres were harvested, which is a 5 percent decrease from 2003. Net yield at an estimated 24 tons per acre is the lowest since 1993 when 22.8 net tons per acre were reported.

Sweet potato production is estimated at 2.3 million hundredweight, a 26 percent decrease from 2003. Harvested acreage was down 14 percent to 15,500 acres in 2004. Yield per acre was down 25 hundredweight from 2003's record yield to 150 hundredweight per acre in 2004.

Did You Know:

Spring is here and the bees are buzzing, at least in California where the almond crop is ready for pollination.

Unfortunately for many California fruit and nut growers, there is a shortage of bees to do the busy work of blossom fertilization.

California bee producers have been hit hard by the Varroa mite, an external parasite of the honeybee whose population increases until it kills the entire bee colony. Increased competition from overseas honey sources has also downsized the western bee market.

To combat the problems caused by California's shrinking bee population, growers are turning to Louisiana and other southern states for help. Beekeepers from across the south are loading up hive after hive to send to California to pollinate the almond crop.

To insure that no pests from Louisiana are inadvertently sent to California, Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry bee inspectors certify that state bee colonies are free of non-desirable insect immigrants.

The LDAF inspectors are qualified to inspect for any number of pests, but for the California almond crop pollination service they are specifically certifying the Louisiana bee colonies are "fire ant free."

Inspectors from the LDAF's Office of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences look for fire ants while beekeeper employees pressure-wash pallet loads of colonies before the bees are loaded on west-bound trucks.

Modern beekeeping practices dictate that hives placed in the field should be on wooden pallets and kept off the ground. The pallets allow for easy forklift movement.

Despite this precaution, fire ants could build mounds under the hive's protective cover and be transported to fire ant free zones if not treated.

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CATTLE

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REMINDER: Have all of your heifer calves between four and 12 months of age vaccinated against brucellosis. For information contact your local veterinarian, LDAF animal health personnel, your parish Cattlemen's Association or parish Farm Bureau.

(12) Braford yrlg. heifers, out of F-1 Braford cows & reg. Braford bulls, \$600/1; (1) Braford yrlg. bull, out of F-1 Braford cows & reg. Braford bull, \$850. Robbie Gaspard, Lake Arthur; (337) 246-0846

Reg. Char. cows, w/calf, \$1200, others avail. Roy Matherne, Houma; (985) 851-7692.

(5) reg. Red Angus bulls, (3) from Mr. Beef bloodline, \$1000/1; (2) from Larson Red Sky bloodline, \$1000/1. Wil Sonnier, Lafayette; (337) 235-7932 or (337) 654-4498.

Reg. Lim. bulls, (2) blk., (1) red, \$650-\$1500/1. David Fremin, New Iberia; (337) 365-6657.

Jersey & Holstein nurse cows, some w/calves, \$700/1-up. Kurt Martinez, Donaldsonville; (225) 717-4345.

Pb Jersey heifers, 350-450 lbs., pick (10) or more for, \$725/1. Don Frickie, Mt. Herman; (985) 839-

Reg. Char. bulls, \$1500/1-up. Ridley Chauvin, Raceland; (985) 537-6854 or (985) 804-2594.

Reg. Brangus bulls, (5) blk. & gentle, w/calving ease, 12-14 mos., sire: Chairbrand Ranch bull, excel. bloodlines, your choice, \$1100. Bill Clattenburg, Montpelier; (225) 223-7521.

(7) Char. bulls, 17-24 mos., reg., stout, A-I sires, Cigar, Polled Value, Trademark, \$1700/1-up. Ron or Karen Fuqua, Effie; (318) 253-9255 or (318) 240-9276.

Pb polled Hereford bull, born 3/15/03, very gentle, sire on site, can be used for breeding, \$700; bull calf, born 7/28/04, \$300. Harry

Young, Denham Springs; (225) 665-5473 or (225) 665-2120.

Reg. blk. Angus bulls, 2-7 yrs., SAF Focus, TC Stockman, Hoff Head of Class, Great Western, Fame backgrounds, \$1700/1. Gurley Maurin, Hammond; (985) 345-3726.

Reg. Char. bull, 2 yrs., all shots up to date & tested, \$1600. Karen Saizan, Opelousas; (337) 585-2269.

(30) blk. Brangus heifers, 2-3 yrs., calving right now to Angus bulls, very nice group of cattle, \$36,000/all. Dickie Torbert, Thibodaux; (985) 693-3586 or (337) 519-4701.

Reg. BBU Beefmaster heifers, (12) to pick from, top bloodlines, Evolution, L Bar 5502, Atlas, Polled Mandate, Cavalier, \$800/1-up or \$10,000/all. Kendall McKenzie, Angie; (985) 848-5468.

Reg. 5/8, 3/8 Braford bulls & heifers, champ. bloodlines, gain test leaders, weaned heifers, \$800/1-up; bred heifers, \$1200/1-up; 2 yr. bulls, \$1500/1-up. Fred Elsing, Alexandria; (318) 442-0741 or (318) 447-1145.

Reg. Angus bulls, 12-16 mos., \$1600-\$2600. Ron Talbot, Thibodaux; (985) 637-2580.

Reg. Brangus bulls, 24 mos., \$1500/1-up. Sonny Crosby, Cut Off; (985) 632-8095.

Horned Hereford bulls, 11-15 mos., gentle, \$700/1-up. Gerard Jeansonne, Pride; (225) 654-3989.

Reg. pb Santa Gertrudis bulls, CB Grizzly 3308 bloodline, (1) 40 mos., dehorned, (1) 16 mos., polled, \$1500/1-up. Ignagio Valledor, Mandeville; (985) 898-0306 or (985) 630-1520.

Reg. blk. Limousin bulls, 12 mos., \$1200; 22 mos., \$1200, price includes reg. transfer. Michael LeDoux, Rayne; (337) 334-2820.

(9) Reg. bred blk. Angus heifers, (1) pb blk. Angus bull, 12 mos., all shots & wormed, \$7500/10. E. McGee, New Iberia; (337) 364-0626

(15) blk. & wh. baldie cows, w/1st calves, \$1000. A. Irvin, Thibodaux; (985) 448-1101.

Reg. Brangus bull yrlgs., \$1800; (3) reg. Brangus bulls, \$1700/1-up. Dale Clark, Rayne; (337) 873-8188.

Polled Hereford yrlg. bulls, excel. bloodlines & EPDs, all shots, wormed & ready to go, \$1000/1-up. Ken Nelson, Spearsville; (318) 778-0425.

(20) pb Brahman heifers, 8-15 mos., \$16,000/all. Troy

Thibodeaux, Church Point; (337) 684-6615.

Reg. blk. Angus bull, 9 mos., \$600. Clinton Breland, Angie; (985) 848-9213.

Reg. Char. bulls, 6-12 mos., gentle., \$450-\$900. Ken Bradford, Montgomery; (318) 646-2370.

Reg. blk. Angus bull, on feed, 15 mos., \$1000 nego. R. Duhon, Rayne; (225) 873-7319.

Reg. Beefmaster bulls, top bloodlines, cert. free herd, \$1000/1-up. David Domengeaux, Carencro; (337) 668-4666 or (337) 668-4461.

(8) F-1 Braford heifers, tiger stripes & solids, will be ready for a bull this spring, 600-750 lbs., \$875/1. T. Satcher, Denham Springs; (225) 665-6265.

2 yr. reg. & commercial Angus bulls, Gardiner & N-Bar bloodlines, lbw, moderate & thick frame, \$1850/1-up. Paul Dufrene, Cut Off; (985) 637-1189.

Reg. Simm. & Simbrah cattle, heifers, bulls & prs., \$750/1-up. B. G. Denton, Jena; (318) 992- 4504.

(10) Reg. Angus yrlg. bulls, strong pedigrees, lbw EPDs, very thick & heavy muscled, strong milk EPDs, (2) 2 yr. reg. Angus bulls, (1) 3 yr. reg. Angus bull, \$1250/1-up. Sammy Broussard, New Iberia; (337) 364-7681 or (337) 519-5522.

Char. bull, 6 yrs., nice & gentle, \$1000. Chad Nesom, DeRidder; (337) 462-0383.

Char. bulls, \$1600/1-up. Karen Fuqua, Effie; (318) 253-9255 or (318) 253-4682.

Pb Santa Gertrudis bulls, coming 2 yrs., (2) polled, (1) horned, papers in buyer's name, \$1500/1-up. Ronald Burleigh, Church Point; (337) 351-2468 or (337) 942-2477.

Reg. blk. Angus bull, 14 mos., out of White Oak Precise, shown in (10) 4-H shows, grand champ twice, \$1800. Donald delaHoussaye, New Iberia; (337) 364-5934.

4 yr. reg. Beefmaster bull, Lasater bloodlines, light red, proven breeder, \$1500. Dwight Bertrand, Elton; (337) 734-2129.

Reg. Char. heifers, Budsmydad & Big Sky breeding, 11 mos., polled, brucellosis vacc., very gentle, some very fancy, all nice, \$800/1. Walter Lemoine, Marksville; (318) 253-7939.

Reg. Char. bulls, ready for service, gentle, big, stout, clean & tested, Big Sky & Budsmydad breeding, cert. herd, \$1500/1-up. W. Lemoine,

Marksville; (318) 253-7939.

Maine Anjou bull, super nice, blk. yrlg., performance bred, big, stout, heavy muscled, all shots & wormed, gentle, ready to breed, \$1200. Judy Wiggins, Baton Rouge; (225) 752-0309.

Hereford bulls, extra nice, performance bred, big, stout, heavy muscled, gentle yrlgs., all shots & wormed, ready to breed, \$1000/1-up. Laura Hughes, Zachary; (225) 658-5348.

(12) gray Brahman, (2) calves, horned Hereford bull, \$13,500/all. T. L. Warner, Bossier City; (318) 453-7688.

Wanted: good cattle, will trade. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958.

Wanted: Jersey milk cow, w/or w/o calf or Jersey calf or heifer, in central La. Wally Sanson, Pineville; (318) 443-9985.

Wanted: 5 or 6 bred cows, also good nurse cow, must be reasonably priced. Marvin Carter, Pineville; (318) 442-1717.

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1988 Gelding, finished cutting horse, used for sorting, excel. for youth, beginners or seasoned rider, top son of Smart Little Lena, bottom, by daughter of Freckles Playboy, \$6000. C. Simoneaux, Port Allen; (225) 627-4630.

2002 AQHA liver chestnut geld., top, by son of Haidas Lil Pep, bottom by daughter of Jose Uno, very well started, must see, \$2500. K. Simoneaux, Port Allen; (225) 627-4630.

Reg. App. filly, out of a son of Dominate Clue, by Kid Clue, dam is blk./wh., few spots, filly is solid but built extremely well, will make excel. addition to a breeding program or a first class playday horse, \$1500 obo, or trade for young bred cows. M. Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-1730 or (337) 831-0917.

Reg. App. mare, solid sorrel, broke to ride, very gentle, woman safe, easy to catch, \$1000 or make offer; gelded foal from last year, will be very tall, 15.3 or 16 hands, out of the above mare, can be reg., solid, \$500; reg. App. mare, blk. & wh., w/few spots, in foal to son of world champ. All Inclusive for April foal, \$2500 or trade for cattle. Mark Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-1730 or (337) 831-0917.

1997 Reg. Peruvian Paso geld., chestnut, smooth gait, current on vacc., good trail horse, \$1100. Debra Thibodaux, Thibodaux; (985) 633-2310.

4 Yr. bay geld., had for 2 yrs., green broke, loves kids, knows just basic commands, takes a bit, saddles easy, easy to catch, no papers, branded, \$800. Kimberly George, Dry Creek; (337) 328-8229.

Reg. QH geld., sorrel, blaze, 2 stockings, green broke, 3/21/97, great athlete, Impressive Jet Leo & Bold Me Over, \$1000 firm. Bobby Alost, Natchitoches; (318) 201-

Reg. QH mare, had 2 colts, sorrel, blaze, green broke, 3/19/98, Impressive Jet Leo & Bold Me Over, \$1000 firm. B. Alost, Natchitoches; (318) 201-6085.

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Reg. AMHA miniature horses, current vacc., \$1000/1-up. Brenda Hebert, Covington; (985) 893-7907 or (985) 373-1393.

19 Yr. mare, 13-14 hands, bombproof, perfect for children, freeze branded & microchipped, \$550 obo. Ignacio Valledor, Mandeville; (985) 898-0306 or (985) 630-1520.

2003 AQHA brown filly, '03 red roan stud, '04 buckskin, blk. & bay colts, Poco Bueno 2, Doc's Prescription, Collins Jessie, Neros Roan, El Pobre on papers, \$600-\$1000. Travis Hughes, Forest; (318) 428-8402.

4 Yr. AQHA mare sorrel, '01 Ima Cook Skip & Impressive bloodlines, broke to ride & good disp., \$1800 obo. Ralph Marks, Marksville; (318) 253-6943.

5 Yr. AQHA mare, '00, line bred dun, Peppy San Badger bloodline, handles well, good disp., \$2800 obo. Charlotte Marks, Marksville; (318) 253-6943.

Good looking, great disp., Two-Eyed Jack bred colts, own sons & daughters of Watch Sonoita Joe, \$1500/1-up. James Venable, Church Point; (337) 684-5242.

2003 Reg. Appendix QH geld., dark golden pal., long legs, great hip, flashy, English or Western prospect, \$1500. Suzy Miller, Breaux Bridge; (337) 332-4097.

Mule, hunting, 7 yrs., does it all, \$850; 2-horse bumper-pull, tack, feed pans, \$1250. Jim White, Castor; (318) 544-2356.

APHA 4 yr. tobiano, sorrel/wh. geld., green broke, 14'3", very gentle, \$1500. Karen Mixon, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-3367.

Reg. QH mare, 6 yrs., \$1295; sorrel mare, 13 yrs., good trail riding horse, \$1295; (3) 2 yr. sorrel fillies, \$895/1; 1 ½ yr. paint geld., \$850. J. L. Beasley, Baker; (225) 775-4355 or (225) 775-3362.

(2) Welsh ponies, pulls wagon & rides, 5 yrs., approx. 700 lbs., \$700/1 obo. Nelson Cradeur, Lake Charles; (337) 582-3741.

AMHA reg. miniature mare, 7 yrs., excel. broodmare, \$1200 obo. Shirley Marshall, Hessmer; (318) 563-4983.

2000 AQHA mare, Triangle Gold War & Colonel Freckles on top, Dry Doc & Doc O'Lena on bottom, halter broke & green broke to ride, had beautiful filly in '04, ready for further training or breeding for '05, 15 hands, 1100 lbs., \$1500. Johnny Steib, Lottie; (225) 637-2474.

2002 AQHA mare, Peppy San granddaughter, Doc's Blanton, 3 Bars on top, Doc's Prescription, King Oklahoma Star & Jr. on bottom, halter broke & green broke to ride, very gentle but quick as a cat, ultimate picture of the bull dog QH, \$2000. Cindy Steib, Lottie; (225) 637-2474.

2001 AQHA mare, Splash Splash, Oh Black Magic, Lightning Bar Baby on top, Rovargas, Oh Black

Magic, Splash Splash on bottom, calm, gentle, sound & rides great, barrel & pole prospect or broodmare, 16 hands, 1200 lbs., \$2000. J. Steib, Lottie; (225) 637-2474.

Quality cutting & performance prospects, by sons of Smart Plan, Haidas Little Pep & Smart Lil Scoot, mares are Quixote, Little Peppy, Doc's Oak, Son of a Doc, Young Gun, Snack Box, Smart Lil Highbrow, Freckles, etc., some producers, \$1500/1-up. John Broussard, Erath; (337) 937-6719.

1986 Cutting geld., winner of year end championships & top 10 ACHA youth, sound, in great cond., great for youths or beginners, very cowy, \$4500. Hana Broussard, Erath; (337) 937-6719.

2004 APHA pal. tobiano colt, tall, calm, maybe homozygous, \$2000. E. O'Quinn, Welsh; www.sunkissedfarm.com or (337) 753-2590

4 Yr. old style QH mare, sorrel, sweet & beautiful, amazing personality, broke, nice saddle, all tack included, \$1000 obo. Sarah Bonnette, Bueche; (225) 627-3951 or (225) 266-9335.

2 Yr. mustangs, blood bay mare, strawberry roan geld., gelding perfect for children, beautiful horses, highly intelligent, \$500/pr. obo. S. Bonnette, Bueche; (225) 627-3951 or (225) 266-9335.

2005 March foal, out of AQHA Puddenhead mare & AQHA Peppy San Badger stud, lots of cow, \$800. R. Simmons, Albany; (225) 567-7813

(10) Reg. AQHA weans., sire Zippididoodah, \$750/1-up; yrlg. solid paint filly, by Totally Awesome, \$800; 2 yr. QH buckskin stallion by Zippididoodah, \$7000. Dennis Crain, Winnsboro; (800) 228-8423 or (318) 435-4280.

AMHA & AMHR miniature horses, studs, fillies, mare, some cart broke, \$450/1-up. Darron Cunningham, Albany; (225) 567-9594

Reg. MFT, show & trail, bay wean. fillies, \$1200; sorrel filly w/5 world grand champs. on papers, both imprinted, halter broke, \$2000. Paul or Sue Campbell, Breaux Bridge; (337) 845-9981.

3 Yr. gray Caspian stallion, started under saddle & in harness, great w/kids, been to expos, shows, birthday parties, etc., has a phenomenal temperament, proven stallion as well, 11.2 hands, \$2500. Anna Baudoin, Denham Springs; baroquefarms@cox.net or (225) 665-2186.

Miniature donkey, weanling jack, dark brown, w/light points, bonded w/people, vacc. for E.E.E. & West Nile, \$300. Ronnie Shaw, Lake Charles; (337) 479-2406.

AQHA yrlgs. & 2 yr. olds., Haidas Little Pep & foundation breeding, mares avail., \$1200/1-up. Betty Hertzog, Natchez; (318) 379-2482 or (318) 379-2221.

Reg. overo paint, Two Straw Robin, 16 hands, 13 lbs., straight, very athletic & docile disp., \$300/\$4.5 mare care. Ed. Durr, Jr., Amite; (985) 748-5556.

(2) QH mares, 13 yrs., 1250 lbs., (1) gray, (1) bay, broke for wagon,

10 yrs., pulling together, w/new harness, \$2500. Arnold Molaison, Labadieville; (985) 859-4556.

1994 AQHA sorrel mare, cutting bred, Smart Little Uno x Doc Solano mare, in foal to Boot Scootin Dually for May '05 foal, \$4500. Harvard Brian, Slaughter; (225) 683-9029.

2002 AQHA sorrel mare, cutting bred, Little Rush x Smart Little Uno mare, broke & started on cattle, blaze w/3 wh. stockings, \$3500. H. Brian, Slaughter; (225) 683-9029.

1996 APHA bay tobiano overo geld., blue eyes, 15 ½ hands, gentle, used for trail riding, \$1900. Robert Marcantel, DeQuincy; (337) 786-6201 or (337) 488-1989.

Reg. QH filly, 21 mos., sire Brooke Peponita, son of Peponita, dam Clarks Little Bay, daughter of Clarks Red Ant, \$3500. Charles Broussard, Jeanerette; (337) 276-6688

Reg. '05 filly sorrel, w/blaze & 2 hind stockings, very thick, Skipper W & Leo breeding, must see to appreciate, \$1000. Keith Guillory, Ville Platte; (3327) 363-7101 or (337) 230-5216.

2003 APHA stud, green broke, brown & wh. tobiano, \$1300; '04 APHA stud, halter broke, sorrel & wh. overo, \$1000; '97 APHA breeding stock broodmare, \$1000. Duane Wilson, Slaughter; (225) 683-3044 or (225) 978-5699.

8 Yr. sorrel QH mare, w/very good handle, has been used to work cattle & trail rides, \$800; 2 yr. paint filly, gentle, well broke to ride, \$550. James Veillon, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4355 or (337) 831-3247.

7 Yr. AQHA blk. stallion, 16 hands, 1100 lbs., easy breeder, broke to ride, will stand for stud until sold, \$3995, no checks. Randy Causey, Walker; (225) 235-5121.

Reg. App., 3 yrs., FPD mare, \$450; 4 yr. mare, \$550, both out of own daughter of Alias King, (Dreamfinder's sire) no checks. J. R. Causey, Walker; (225) 235-5121.

2 Yr. APHA filly, 75% wh., 25% sorrel, halter broke, Doc O'Lena, Delta, Dixie Rendition, Smoking Jose & Gay Bar Dixie on papers, 14.2 hands, \$1500. E. J. Olivier, Carencro; (337) 896-6205.

Reg. TW horses, (20) weans., yrlgs., broodmares, pal. buckskin, blk. bay, spotted, \$1000/1-up. L. D. Spears, Dry Creek; (337) 328-7365.

6 Yr. reg. AQHA geld., super gentle, good youth or lady's horse, works cattle, excel. disp. & handle, 15 hands, dark bay, Doc Bar bred, \$3500. Larry Duhon, Lafayette; (337) 652-6200.

7 Yr. gaited mare, 14.2 hands, gentle for kids or women, also has a great handle & is a great trail horse, \$850. Phyllis Veillon, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4355 or (337) 831-3247.

AQHA pal. mare, 14 yrs., Poco Bueno, Star Bold bloodlines, great trail horse, very gentle, excel. broodmare, photos avail., \$2000. Patrick Boudreaux, Napoleonville; (985) 369-6531.

AQHA sorrel pal. filly, 20 mos., halter broken, PocoBold, Just To Impress bloodline, photos avail,

\$1000. P. Patrick Boudreaux, Napoleonville; (985) 369-6531.

AQHA foundation bred horses, yrlgs.-4 yrs., some broke to ride & ready for training, others halter broke & gentle, \$950-\$180. Errol Lynn Aymond, Effie; (318) 447-1206.

Reg. AQHA filly, extra nice, performance bred, speed galore, top barrel or game prospect, flashy, gentle, straight, \$1500. Ed Durr, Jr., Amite; (985) 748-5556.

2 Yr. Appendix AQHA gray stallion, super nice, started training, TB sire Mr. Prospector, Secret Trariat, QH dam Dash For Cash, Sail on Bunny & more, \$3500 nego. Lisa Lyon, Welsh; (337) 753-2590.

Dixieland performance horses, world-class trainers, 2 world championships in '01, we train, show & sell, training all breeds, openings avail. now for training. Donnie or Tracy Thrash, Bastrop; http://home.earthlink.net/~dixland, (318) 556-2217 or (602) 509-6220.

STALLION SERVICE

1998 golden pal., 14.2 hands, wide muscular build, pro trained for cutting, Dry Doc, Doc Bar, Poco Lena, Poco Bueno, Leo Wimpy, \$300/\$3 mare care. Dean Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 328-2198 or (225) 627-9562.

2001 bay stallion, 14.2 hands, well built, pro trained, now being shown in cutting, lots of cow, Tanquery Gin, Doc O'Lena, Royal King, Doc Bar, Doc's Sug bloodlines, \$400/\$3 mare care. D. Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 328-2198 or (225) 627-9562.

8 yr. grandson of Puddenhead, bay star, great disp., \$400/\$4 mare care. Jeanette B. Jackson, Jennings; www.quarter-horse.com or (337) 824-1642.

Shining Sneakers x Shining Spark, AQHA superior reining, AQHA circuit championships, NRHA money earner, son of Shining Spark, \$600/\$6 pasture mare care, \$9 stall mare care. Cheryl Borer, Walker; www.borerquarterhorses.com, borerqtrhorses@aol.com or (225) 667-7415.

AQHA sorrel stallion, awesome personality, Peppy San Badger & Double Doc Bar breeding, \$300/\$3 mare care. M. Perrin, Ponchatoula; (985) 845-2402 or (985) 969-0518.

AQHA pal. stallion great disp., King & Leo breeding, \$275/\$3 mare care. A. Perrin, Ponchatoula; (985) 845-2402 or (985) 969-0518.

Doc Hickory, Peppy San, Doc Olena bred, great disp., good conform. & great looks, the best looking dun horse in La., throwing 100% color, \$400/\$5 mare care. Jeffrey Brassette, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2674.

Egyptian porcelain wh. Arabian at stud, proven sires of quality foals, foal to show, 15+ hands, great temperament, IBN Moniet, Shaik al Badi, Babson bloodlines, \$750. Lamar Brandan, Scott; (337) 319-6853.

Egyptian mahogany Arabian at

stud, IBN Habina, Babson bloodlines, \$500. Brenda, Scott; (337) 739-7909.

2002 AQHA sorrel grandson of Two-Eyed Jack, dbl. bred, Blondy's Dude on bottom, super disp., cow to burn, started on working cow horse, heeling, on (10) outside mares, \$400. Michael Fontenot, Opelousas; (337) 942-2771.

AQHA chestnut stallion, Mr. San Peppy, Sugar Badger, Peppy San Badger, Camiseta, Doc Bar, Bangal, Captain Joker, Doc Sugs, Royal King, \$250/\$3 mare care. Billy Deshotel, Brusly; (225) 933-8964.

AQHA golden pal., son of Peppy's Boy 895, out of producing daughter of Maxi Lena, producing color, easy breeder, \$400, mult. mare discount. Romy Morvant, Thibodaux; (985) 446-0708.

2000 Sorrel stud, AQHA point earner in open heeling, dbl. bred Doc Bar, Doc's Tom Thumb, Doc Bar, Doc's Jaybird, Doc O'Lena, Jameen Tivio, Thermo Claude, Reed Cheyenne on papers, \$350/\$4 mare care. Redd Hutchinson, Pride; heelsteer@aol.com or (225) 654-0799.

Reg. App., 2 yr. son of All Inclusive, bay blanket & spots, class winner at Dixie nationals, Miss. high point yrlg. stallion, \$500 live foal. Charles Duplantis, Bourg; (985) 594-7466 or (985) 856-1654.

Blk. & wh. App., Cooterville Echohawk, Geronimo, Wapiti, Mansfield Comanche, Puddenhead, King P-234, \$200/\$3 mare care. Hermina Geautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

AQHA pal., Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead, Barpass Myers, King P-234, \$350/\$3 mare care. Earlin Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

Dbl. bred Two-Eyed Jack stud, Watch Sonita Joe, (6) AQHA champs. on papers, good looks, great disp., \$500. James Venable, Church Point; (337) 684-5242.

APHA homozygous blk./wh. tobiano stallion, 100% color producer, top bloodlines, Rebel Cause, Snip Bar, Skip Three Bars, Hard Twist, \$400/\$5 mare care. W. Treme, DeQuincy; (337) 786-4447.

2001 AQHA dark bay stallion, Doc O'Lena, Vegas Model & dbl. bred Peppy San Badger on papers, great disp., well built, \$250/\$3 mare care. R. Simmons, Albany; (225) 567-7813.

AQHA/PHBA pal. stallion, sire Mr. Golden Dish, Artic Blizzard, dam Skipas Foxy Lena, Fox Quest, \$350/\$6 mare care. Charles Seal, Oakdale; (318) 748-8572.

AQHA '00 gray stallion, excel. conform. & disp., own son of Kid Clu, out of a Smooth Town daughter, Skipa Star on top & bottom, \$350. Corey Zeringue, Cut Off; (985) 632-2695.

Leopard App., top 10 world and state champ., w/bloodlines of Dial Bright Too & Goer, great disp. & riding ability, \$250/\$5 mare care. Irvin Bell, Jena; (318) 992-2559.

AQHA 4 yr. gray stallion, Doc's Hickory, Dry Doc, Mr. San Peppy, Colonel Freckles, large frame, great mind, lots of cow, AQHA calf roping points, also heading & healing, \$450. Joe Reed, Westlake;

(337) 912-1742 or (337) 491-0922.

AQHA '99 bay stallion, son of Peptoboonsmal, NCHA & ACHA money earner, dam daughter of Shorty Lena, money earner, \$750. Rodney Williams, Westlake; (337) 912-1742 or (337) 558-6946.

AQHA bay stallion, son of Doc's Stylish Oak, dam Freckles Playmate, NCHA money earner & producer of Smart Mate, \$750. J. Reed, Westlake; (337) 912-1742 or (337) 491-0922.

AQHA '02 red roan, CM Bronsin, Sue PC Bronsin, 2x world champ., roping & performance versatility, dam Freckles Playboy mare, \$500. R. Williams, Westlake; (337) 558-6946.

AQHA chestnut stallion, son of Little Solitirio by San Peppy Badger, bottom side Doc O'Lena, quiet & loaded with cow, \$250/\$3 mare care. Harry Aucoin, Sulphur; (337) 589-5445.

Smart Plan Peppy, smart, balanced & athletic, good looking son of Smart Plant, by producing daughter of Little Peppy, his foals are outstanding, \$500/\$5 mare care. John Broussard, Erath; (337) 937-6719.

Haidas Royal son, beautiful, powerful & cowy, by Haidas Little Pep, by producing daughter Son of a Doc, will produce cutting, roping, working etc., \$600/\$5 mare care. Asa Broussard, Erath; (337) 937-6719.

Colonel's Lil Scoot, outstanding son of Smart Lil Scoot, by top 10 NCHA producing daughter Colonel Freckles, smart & cowy, the real deal, \$750/\$5 mare care. David Broussard, Erath; (337) 937-6719.

APHA #606757 Investors Delta, sorrel/wh., 15.2 hands, world champ. reining top side, all around world champ. bottom side, excel. conform. & temperament, live color foal guarantee, \$350/\$5 mare care. Jim Carte, Parks; (337) 845-5122 or (337) 278-4584.

APHA pal. tobiano, Iced Gold, 15+ hands at 3 yrs., high set neck, pretty head, long legs, \$400/\$6 mare care. E. O'Quinn, Welsh; www.sunkissedfarm.com or (337) 753-2590.

Cremello AQHA, CC Dash of Lightning, 15.2 hands, halter & race bred, siring buckskin & pal. from colored mares, \$500/\$6 mare care. Lisa Lyon, Welsh; www.sunkissedfarm.com or (337) 753-2590.

AQHA blk. stallion, Ima Cool Skip & Boston Mac bred, 16 hands, 1100 lbs., \$300/\$5 mare care. Randy Causey, Walker; (225) 235-5121.

Wanted: paint TW for stallion service, good disp. Andre Caubarreaux, Marksville; (318) 253-8805.

SHEEP & GOATS

Fb Boer buck, w/papers, 4-H show goat, 11 mos., \$300. Dianna Baldwin, Pride; (225) 654-5549.

Fb Boer buck, red & wh. paint, born 5/13/04, ready for light service, \$185; 4 yr. full SA buck, correct markings, sound & gentle, \$250. Ashley McWiggins, Pioneer;

(318) 428-2764 or (318) 282-2747.

Reg. USBGA Boer goats, full blood nannies, correct & paints, \$175/1-up; billies, correct & paints, \$150/1; 75% percentages, \$75-\$100. Bob Lailheugue, Holden; (225) 294-3451.

Pygmy goats, miniature, herd reduction sale, bred does, \$125/1; buck, \$75/1. Ronnie Andrepont, St. Landry; (337) 461-2668 or (337) 523-6719.

Reg. Alpine dairy goat buck, beautiful, healthy, proven sire, \$200 or trade for does. Sherilyn Cormier, Ragley; (337) 725-3501 or (337) 802-5854.

Boer goats, breeding age males, \$100, nannies & kids avail. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-4566.

Young billy goats, gentle enough for children, \$35/1. Greg Hillman, Pitkin; (318) 358-5266.

Nubian bucks, 1 yr., wormed, dehorned, immunizations, \$85/1. Kathryn Goppelt, Gonzales; (225) 675-8002.

Katahdin pb males & females, good bloodline, 12 mos. & older, starting at \$125. George Lanclos, Opelousas; (337) 948-9396.

Pygmy goats, (2) females, bred, 8 mos., (1) reg. male, 8 mos., \$250/all. Patrick Guillory, Ville Platte; (337) 363-2439.

NDGA Nigerian dwarf goat kids, these small little milk goats love people & make great pets, \$100/1-up. Cynthia Britton, Zachary; www.dachshundfarms.com, (225) 658-9293 or (225) 939-5391.

Wanted: pygmy does, brown or wh. Donald Pousson, Iota; (337) 779-2820.

LIVESTOCK DOGS

Only trained farm stockdogs or offspring from trained stockdogs are eligible to be advertised. Include dog's breeding and special training or ability that qualifies it as a stockdog. A signed statement must accompany each notice indicating these facts before the ad can be published.

Reg. NALC Catahoula pups, blue, gray & blk., born 12/6/04, out of proven stock, \$125/1. Arnold Baham, Jackson; abaham@aol.com or (225) 634-7831.

NALC reg. Catahoula pups, parents used on cattle & hogs, litter whelped 2/1/05, color, \$150/1; solids, \$100/1. Mark Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-1730 or (337) 831-0917.

(2) Working neutered Great Pyrenees dogs, (1) 4 yrs., (1) coming 2 yrs., ready to work w/goats, sheep or birds, sold only as pr. & to good home, \$300/pr. Mark Lumetta, Amite; (985) 748-6257.

Reg. rat terrier pups, good on rats & squirrels, \$100/1. Tedd Poydras, Baton Rouge; (225) 356-7740.

AKC golden retriever pups, born 1/19/05, dc removed, \$375/1. Toby Guillory, Rosedale; www.tjs-farms.com or (225) 939-3071.

CKC male Great Pyrenees, 10 mos., big, beautiful dog, LGD or pet, raised in pasture w/goats, friendly w/people, \$250 or trade for female. Ashley McWiggins, Pioneer; (318) 428-2764 or (318) 282-2747.

English/Plott cross pups, for trailing, baying & catching cattle & hogs, used on all types of predators, coyote, bear, bobcat & cougar, parents are used for herding cattle on large ranch in Colorado, proven crosses, \$150/1 or \$250/pr. Roxanne Graham, Kentwood; (985) 229-5168.

Reg. border collie pups, 6 wks., blk./wh., from working stock, \$200. A. Rachel, Ethel; (225) 683-4361.

Catahoula pups, born 1/27/05, from working stock, cattle & hogs, \$50/1. Mike Henry, Morse; (337) 652-4689

NKC reg. Ladner blk. mouth cur, (2) female brooder pup, trainer have pups, born 9/27/04, bred to tree first, cow, hog or great family dog, \$150/1. James Soileau, Ville Platte; (337) 363-1490.

Reg. Anatolian pups, 7 mos., great guard dogs, for anyone having problems w/coyotes, born and raised in goat pasture, \$400. Samuel Andrus, Eunice; (337) 457-5102.

Pb rat terrier pups, nice, born 12/4/04, parents good ratters, male, \$100; female, \$125/1. Wanda Barras, St. Martinville; (337) 394-6683.

Pit bull pups, big heads, blue brindle male, blue brindle pups, \$100. Wayne Fontenot, Opelousas; (337) 948-3275.

Female Doberman pincher, AKC w/papers, all shots, 1 1/2 yrs., never bred, great watch dog, \$350 firm. Brent Landry, Evergreen; (318) 346-6409 or (318) 729-0722.

Jack Russells, on the bayou, great hunters & pets, \$350. Brad Mire, Crowley; (337) 788-1783.

Jack Russell pups, parents on premises, reg., very cute, males & females, \$200/1, no checks. Lloyd Menard, Sr., Eunice; (337) 457-3959.

SWINE

Miniature potbellied pigs, \$125/1. Cynthia Britton, Zachary; www.dachshundfarms.com, (225) 658-9293 or (225) 939-5391.

July 3 Yorkshire boars, Pss The Man-Sweetnose x Survivor-Total Package, grooved top, tall, big dimple butt, L.M. gilt GC parish & dist. Don Woodman, Elmer; (318) 793-2532.

DOMESTIC BIRDS & EQUIPMENT

Breeder prs., green Quakers, bluecrown conures, Hahn's macaws, DYH Amazons, Timneh African grays, citron & umbrella cockatoos, \$250-\$2200; used cages & nest boxes avail. Stephen Gauthier, Watson; sgbirdhouse@cox.net or (225) 664-3315.

Cockatiels, \$30/1; blue mask lovebirds, \$60/1. Lance Nelson, Gonzales; (225) 978-0778.

Canaries, from award-winning line, opal, \$60/1; bronze, \$65/1; red factor, \$65/1. Carlos Ambrogio, Houma; (985) 868-3648.

Lovebirds, peach-face, masked & Fischer's lovebirds, \$25-\$50/1; cockatiels, \$25/1; zebra & society

finches, \$5/1. Jerry Martinez, Thibodaux; (985) 447-2230.

Peacocks, blue pied, \$100-\$150/pr.; red-golden or yellow-golden pheasants, \$35/pr.; diamond doves, \$30-\$40/pr.; button quail, \$10/pr. Doyle Davis, Norwood; birdsdavis@kricket.net, (225) 629-5546 or (225) 936-9122.

Breeding prs., blue & gold macaws, w/metal nest boxes, \$1800/pr. Al Cormier, Rayne; (337) 873-2111.

Cockatiels, hf & breeder age, grays, pieds, pearls, cinns., lutinos, albinos, wh. faces & most combinations, all seamless banded, certificates included, \$30/1-up. Samantha Ivy, Morgan City; (985) 631-3498.

Hf cockatiels, \$35-\$60/1; love-birds, \$25/1-up; parakeets, \$8/1; wh. doves, \$8/1; English budgie, \$25/1. Evelyn Husser, Amite; (985) 748-6833.

(8) Bird cages, 16"x16"x24", w/(2) feed cups, (2) perches & pullout tray, \$15/1 or \$100/all. Michael Dubreuil, Denham Springs; (225) 664-6442.

Ringneck doves, \$2/1 if less than (100) taken or \$1.5/1 if (100) taken. Richard Millikin, Oak Grove; (318) 428-2604.

Beautiful breeder pr. golden mantled rosellas, now breeding, \$500; young GM split firey, \$250/1. J. Oliver, Arnaudville; (337) 351-2873.

(7) Mature blue wh. rump diamond doves, \$100; young parakeets, \$10/1; breeder male cockatiels, \$25/1; lovebirds, \$15 & \$25/1; button quail, \$10/pr. Aaron Fuselier, Mamou; (337) 457-5667.

Finches, gouldians, diamond sparrow, shaft tails, societies & zebras, blk. face, blk. breasted & other zebra mutations, \$6/1-up. T. Perez, Cut Off; tbirds@mobile-tel.com or (985) 665-3902.

Silver diamond doves, \$35/pr.; zebra finches, \$5/1; hf cockatiels, all colors, \$50/1. Jerry Tauzin, New Iberia; (337) 367-2508.

Indian ringneck parakeet, (1) dark factor female, '04 hatch, \$1200. Anna Hudson, Abbeville; (337) 892-9819.

(2) Mature Indian blue peacocks, \$75/1. J.M. Buxton, Starks; (337) 743-6380.

Mature citron cockatoo male, \$950; (2) mature severe macaws, \$600/1 or \$1000/both; Jenday conure pr., \$600; Quaker colony of 11, \$750/all; proven pr. blue-front Amazons, \$1250; proven pr. Mexican red head pr., \$1100 or \$2250/both, prs. lay, sit, hatch & care for babies. W. B. Barras, St. Martinville; (337) 394-6683.

(4) male Pacific parrotlets, \$50/1; (2) beautiful blue parrotlets, both females, \$80/1; (2) rare colored male & female finches, \$16/both. Melanie Vandersypen, Pineville; (318) 641-1226.

Parrots, breeder prs., orange wings, \$350/pr.; Mexican red heads, \$575/pr. Ricky LoBell, Prairieville; (225) 715-9218.

Diamond doves, blue-wh. tail, silver-wh. tail, cinn.-wh. tail, yellow-wh. tail, yellow & red, all closed banded, \$20/1-up, will ship. Mervin Faul, Iowa; (337) 582-6674.

Orange-face lovebirds, lutinos, normals split to lutino, olives, cinns.,

\$25-\$50/1; 1 yr. lovebirds, in many other colors, \$25-\$50. Dale Landry, Paincourtville; (985) 369-6952.

Ringneck dove normals & wh., \$7.5 & \$10/1; proven mated prs., \$20 & \$30/pr., will ship. Thomas Rowell, Crowley; (337) 783-5729.

Wanted: male Princess of Wales. J. Oliver, Arnaudville; (337) 351-2873.

POULTRY, FOWL & EGGS

Large red lace Cornish, \$10/1. Jimmy Melancon, Crowley; (337) 783-2732.

Miniature bantams, any color, hens, \$7/1; roosters, \$6/1. Norman Ordoneaux, Lake Arthur; (337) 774-2641.

Fresh eggs, \$1.25/doz. Charles Anderson, Minden; (318) 377-1009

Pied peacock, '04 hatch, \$50/1; '02 hatch, \$150/1; wh. doves, proven prs., \$20/pr. Mark Lumetta, Amite; (985) 748-6257.

Bobwhite quail eggs, Georgia giant bobwhite eggs, \$35/100. Preston Mire, Crowley; (337) 783-6635.

Bobwhite quails, \$3/1; XL Pharaoh quail chicks, \$25/1; others, \$1-\$2/1; dressed, \$25/doz. C. J. Hoffpauir, Dry Creek; (337) 328-7495.

Tiny Serama bantams, \$40/1-up. Charles Savoy, Duson; (337) 984-3558.

Jungle fowl prs. only, \$20/pr.; Malaysia seramas roosters only, \$25/1; flying mallards, \$9/1. Patrick Thibodeaux, Church Point; (337) 684-2013.

Barred rocks, Rhode Island reds & sex linked pullets, \$7/1. Floyd Cook, St. Amant; (225) 675-2674, (225) 622-6188 or (225) 715-0475.

Wood ducks, mated prs., \$45/pr. Dean Gunter, Lecompte; (318) 776-9235.

Chukar, full grown & flight cond., excel. for dog training or hunting, del. avail. at extra cost, \$7/1. Eric Rabalais, Lafayette; (337) 984-5788.

Jumbo Pharaoh quails, dressed, \$28/doz., live, \$2/1; pickled eggs, \$6/pt.; eggs, \$20/100. Shirley Franks, Lena; (318) 793-8018.

Pharaoh quails, golden Manchurian & wh., newly hatched to grown, 35¢-\$1.5/1; eggs, 15¢/1; live, \$18/doz.; dressed, \$28/doz. Harry Ardoin, Ville Platte; (337) 363-7176 or (337) 360-2896.

Super large quail, Pharaoh & Manchurian golden, hatching eggs, \$25/100 plus \$12 S&H; live quail, 75¢/1-up. G. R. Chauvin, Shriever; (985) 448-3360.

Wanted: automatic poultry scalder & eviscerating shackles. Brian Gotreaux, Scott; (337) 412-0787.

Wanted: cameo peacock, preferably 2 yrs. or older, reasonably priced, will trade for others. Mark Lumetta, Amite; (985) 748-6257.

Wanted: mallard ducks, we will buy all you can produce. Ben Young, Zachary; www.y-farms.com or (225) 445-5012.

Wanted: goose male, African or

Toulouse grays, Lucy needs a husband. Susan Harrison, Zachary; (225) 654-9020.

Wanted: chicken pullets, roosters, ducks, guineas, geese, turkeys & bantams, all healthy, 1/2 grown or full grown, within 50 miles of Rayne. Wilbert Leger, Rayne; (337) 334-4949.

Wanted: Muscovy ducks, drakes, hens, 6-8 mos., blk. & wh. prefered. Jules Cousin, Sr., Braithwaite; (504) 682-0569.

Wanted: chicken or poultry coops, top opening & stackable, in good cond. Gerd Oppenheim, Norwood; (225) 629-5937 or (504) 866-6551.

Wanted: 1 yr. laying hens, geese, turkey & guinea, will trade. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958.

PIGEONS

Birmingham rollers, many diff. colors, birds from flying kit, most are '04 hatch, \$15/pr. Eddie Hernandez, Denham Springs; (225) 665-2990.

Singles & prs., various colors, quality birds, racing homer pigeons, \$5/1-up; Birmingham rollers, \$5/1-up; fantails, \$7/1 . D. Johnson, Baton Rouge; (225) 356-6517.

RABBITS & EQUIPMENT

Lionheads, pb, F3 dbl. mane, pedigree, solids & broken, does & bucks, 2 mos., \$100/1; Flemish giants, NZW, pb, 3-4 mos., does & bucks, \$15/1. Mickey Willoughby, Keithville; (318) 933-0887.

NZ, Calif. & large breed mixes, all sizes, \$6/1-up; will sell Easter bunnies in bulk, \$5/1. Dale Falcon, Prairieville; (225) 673-4833.

Dutch all colors, Netherland dwarfs, mini rex, all color, NZ, Calif., blue Chin., Fleming cross, checker, \$10/1-up. Nelson Landry, New Iberia; (337) 365-4538.

Flemish giants, male sandy color, female gray, 1 yr., breeder or food, \$15/1 or \$30/pr., no checks. Bruce Batiste, Slidell; (985) 639-9770

NZW, Calif., satins & common breed, \$6/1-up. Gerald or Caroline Porche, Port Allen; (225) 241-1361 or (225) 603-9740.

Wanted: NZ, Calif. & mixed breeds, 8 lbs. & up. Wade Rodi, Braithwaite; (504) 432-2170.

DEER & EXOTICS

(3) whitetail deer, \$6500/all. Victor Rutherford, Florien; (318) 256-6823.

(4) northern whitetail yrlg., \$200/1-up. James Manuel, Oberlin; (337) 639-2864.

Fallow, blk. buck, big whitetails & others, \$400/1-up. Jeff Swank, Delhi; (318) 878-4375 or (850) 519-1129.

Trophy elk bull, \$2000/1; white-tail bucks, \$1500/1; Sieka trophy, \$500; water buffalo, cow & calf, \$1500/pr. Herbert Lejeune, Oakdale; (337) 639-2953.

AQUACULTURE & EQUIPMENT

Blue Catfish, $25 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; channel catfish, $20 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; bluegill, $20 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; hybrid bluegill, $25 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; Chinquapin, $25 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; bass, $50 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ -up; koi, $50 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ -up, del. avail. David Lowe, Minden; (318) 377-1525.

4' x 12' crawfish boat hull, \$800. Randy Johnson, Rayne; (337) 523-1140.

RURAL PROPERTIES

Must offer ten (10) or more adjoining acres of land located in Louisiana. Farmland ads MUST include accompaniments (house, barn, hay field, garden, and what the land is best suited for). Proof of ownership may be required. All ads MUST be accompanied by the following owner-signed statement: "This property is personally owned by me and is not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker or salesman."

Approx. 20 acres, .9 miles from Mamou, just off Hwy. 104 on Ferdie Rd., great location for farming or homestead, \$40,000. Johnnie Young, Lafayette; (985) 518-4778.

17 acres, w/shops & barn located in DeRidder, \$100,000. Tommy Rigmaiden; kathyjo@beau.org or (337) 462-1858.

FARM SERVICES

Wild hog removal, 6 a.m.-9 p.m. Charlie Canizaro, Ponchatoula; (985) 966-1385.

Welding & fabrication, structural & repair, new trailers, etc., \$40/hr.; machine shop work, \$45/hr. Russell Ragsdale, Winnsboro; (318) 439-9118.

Horse boarding, 70 acres, w/own stall, peaceful, room to ride, perfect place & quality care for lay ups, minutes from Lafayette & Evangeline Downs in Opelousas. Mark Allbright, Arnaudville; (337) 754-9104 or (337) 207-9156.

Land clearing, dirt work, ponds, house pads, forestry construction. Jeff Nelson, Ashland; (318) 544-9090

Dog training, obedience, gun dog & hunt tests. Ben Young, Zachary; www.y-farms.com or (225) 445-5012.

Sarina Scott, qualified equine appraiser #03779, American Society of Equine Appraisers. Sarina Scott, Bourg; sarinascott0923@hotmail.com or (985) 665-0464.

Protect your investment & your friend, freeze brand now avail., ID that is humane & visible yr. round.,

\$45. Kim Ballard, Cade; (337) 344-3171.

Land clearing, ponds, dirt work, stump removal, rake work on clearing, \$55/hr. on 450-B Case dozer, \$55/hr., on 580-D Case backhoe, hauling of equip. one-way, \$5.85/mile; dirt hauling, \$175/ld.; equip. hauling, \$3.85/mile; custom cutting, raking & baling of 4x5 rd. bales, \$25/1; small bush hogging, discing or grading, \$55/hr. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958.

BEES/HONEY

4-Frame honey extractor, (2) head veils, (1) smoker, rd. stainless steel tub, sheet wax, (2) hive frames, \$150. Willie Provost, Pearl River; (985) 863-2881.

Wanted: honey extractor, 2-4 frame, stainless steel. Mark Bordelon, Marksville; (318) 253-4272.

SEEDS, FLOWERS & ORNAMENTALS

Ann Magnolia, 15-gal., \$50/1; Agapanthus, Elaine or wh., \$15/1; angel trumpets, pink or wh., \$10/1; camellia, 3-gal. professor sergeant, \$18/1; dwarf Buford holly, 3-gal., \$10/1. P. Mercante, Loranger; (985) 878-3993.

Pine straw, machine-baled premium, quality mulch, clean, \$4/bale, at barn. Bruce Wallis, New Orleans; (504) 483-7775.

Birdhouse & dipper gourd, cushaw green stripe, 30-seed packet, \$1.5/pkt. James Robin, Sr., 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

2004 Hot Peter pepper seeds, 50seed pkt., \$1/pkt., w/SASE. Cleveland Guidry, 918 E. Ash. St., Crowley, LA 70526; (337) 783-2042

Job's tear, rose of Montana, Guatemala vines (purple bean), birdseye & ornamental peppers, red spider lilies, \$5/25; wh./pink, \$1.5/1, \$3 postage, \$1.5/pkt., w/SASE. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA 70601; (337) 478-7075.

TREES & FRUITING VINES

Bare root water oaks & pin oaks, 1'-3' tall, w/dig by order only, \$1/1; live oaks, 7'-8' tall, 25-gal. pots, \$25/1. Jacob Cook, Amite; (985) 748-5928 or (985) 748-7043.

Over 50 varieties of flowering plants, trees, bushes & shrubs, several colors & varieties of iris, several colors & varieties of lilies, several colors & varieties of azaleas, wh., pink, red & purple crape myrtles, all plants are in pots, \$1-\$10/1, send SASE for list & prices. Lee Cook, 56463 Hwy. 445, Husser,

LA 70442; (985) 748-7043.

Bush fancy red cherries, bundle, \$20/12; bi-color Confederate rose, \$6/1; 7 sisters red rose bush, \$8/1; red spider lily, \$25/20; wh. pink spider, \$1.5/1 or \$18/12 plus \$3 postage. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA 70601; (337) 478-7075.

Pecan tree, Elliott, Candy, Sumner, Oconie Coupee, Jackson, Moreland & Woodmen, 3-gal. containers, \$10-\$15/1. Hilary Langlois, Jr., New Roads; (225) 638-4376.

Pecan trees, Elliott, Candy, Oconie, Desirable, etc., 3-gal., \$10-\$15/1, discount on volume sales. Huey Graves, Wisner; (318) 724-7543.

Cypress trees, 5'-7' tall, \$11/1; less than 5' tall, \$9/1. D. Bordelon, Ponchatoula; (985) 345-4280.

Thornless blackberries, \$6-\$20/1; fig trees, \$6/1; plum trees, \$6/1; La. Iris, \$2/1. Richard Satterly, Melville; (337) 566-3708.

Merlitons, vegetable pears, well rooted growing plants in 2 gal. pots, \$5/1. E.J. Flanagan, Hammond; (985) 345-1498.

Fig trees, 2 yrs., 2-gal., \$9.50/1; 10 varieties, SASE for list; Elliott pecan, 3', 6-gal., grafted, \$25 at place. Betty Robin, 4017 Hwy 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Magnolia, large. wh. flowers, loquat, Japanese plum, 7-gal., \$15/1; Brison blackberry, at place, \$4/1. James Robin, 4017 Hwy 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Tomato plants, BHN 640 & stelleto bell pepper, 4" pot, \$1.5, at place. J. Robin, 4017 Hwy 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Live oak, 3-gal., 5', \$7/1-up; ½"-1" diameter, 7', \$15/1-up; 1"-1½" diameter, 9', \$45/1-up; 1½"-2½" diameter, 12", \$75/1-up, volume discounts. Billy Hebert, Maurice; (337) 277-7015.

Southern magnolia, 4-gal., \$15/1; Celeste fig, 3-gal., \$8/1; brown turkey fig, 3-gal., \$5/1; Japanese plum, 3-gal., \$5/1; Jelly palms, 3-gal., \$10/1; monkey grass, 3 qt. tufts, \$1/1; Japanese yew, 3-gal., \$5/1. James Stelly, Eunice; (337) 457-4528.

HAY & GRAIN

Alicia hay, fert. to soil test, hay located in Morrow, \$3.5/1. Donnie Bordelon, Morrow; (318) 346-6764 or (225) 355-1514.

Bahia or rye grass, sq. bales, horse quality, no weeds, \$2.75/1. Lew Overton, Slaughter; (225) 654-0086.

2003 Alicia Bahia, 4x5 rd. bales, in barn, \$30/1; cattle mixed grass, \$15/1. Brandy Cella, Bush; (985) 892-0240.

Alicia Bermuda hay, \$4.75/1; Bahia grass, \$3.75/1. Delos Thompson, Jr., Folsom; (985) 796-

2004 Bahia rd. bales, well fert., limed & cured, kept in barn, \$25/1; sq. bales, \$2.75/1. Harold Parker, Independence; (985) 878-2067.

Alfalfa hay, 70 lb. sq. bales, top quality, green & fine stem, 4th cutting, \$11/1; rd. bales fert. Bahia hay, outside, del. avail., \$30/1. J. Pieri, Folsom; (985) 796-9538 or (504) 628-5361.

Fert. Bahia, Alicia 4x5 rd. bales, cond., cut & cured, '04, \$20/1; '03, \$15/1. C.M. Duplechian, Jennings; (337) 824-2989.

6x4 rd. bales Bahia hay, fert., some bales in shed, \$20/1 or \$18/1 if (10) or more purchased. Quentin Stears, Washington; (337) 826-3807 or (337) 351-8775.

Bahia 4x5 rd. bales, \$15/1. Elgin Rogers, Houma; (985) 851-7692.

Alicia race-horse quality, you load, \$3.25-\$3.5/1; Bahia, \$2.75-\$3/1; 5x5 Bahia rd. bales, under shelter, we load, \$21-\$25/1. David Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4334 or (337) 363-3523.

2004 Season, excel. quality Bahia hay, well fert., cured w/o rain, (80) 4x5 rd. bales, \$20/1. Ike Nichols, Kinder; (337) 639-2140.

Bahia 4x5 rd. bales, baled w/o rain, \$15/1. Charles Duplantis, Bourg; (985) 594-7466 or (985) 856-1654.

2004 Bahia, in shed, on pallets, well fert., \$25/1. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

Alfalfa hay, 5th cutting '04, 65-75 lb. bales, \$10/1. Willie Core, Folsom; (985) 966-1647.

Bahia 4x6 rd. bales, in barn, del. avail., \$30/1. Ralph Racca, Broussard; (337) 837-1539.

2004 Shelled corn, \$4/50 lb. sack. George Lanclos, Opelousas; (337) 948-9396.

Taking orders now for 2005 spring season, rd. bales Alicia/Bahia/Coastal/Tifton44/Joh nson grass hay, \$18/1; behind baler, \$23/1; off field, \$28/1; del. avail. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9272.



2-row pull-type sweet potato planter, \$600; 2-row deviner, \$1500; 15' bat-wing Rhino shredder, \$2000. Nelson Bordelon, Mansura; (318) 964-2941.

860 Ford power master, gas, 45 hp, good tires, runs well, \$3650. Jimmy Pitre, West Monroe; (318) 322-6348

Bush hog disc, retractable wings, good cond., \$1250; heavy-duty cult., in good cond., \$1250, both road worthy. Bill Hoffpauer, Crowley; (337) 277-3533.

3600 Ford trac., good cond., except steering shaky, \$3000. James Masters, Jonesboro; (318) 259-7747.

Vicon 7' hay cutter, good cond., \$2300; sand pot, spray pot, blasting hoses, air hoses, etc., \$800. Jerry Kratzer, Roanoke; (337) 753-2327.

New 70 hp Farm Trax FT 704, Perkins engine trac., \$15,000. J. L. Beasley, Baker; (225) 775-4355 or (225) 775-3362.

2-Row sweet potato digger, \$9000; 4-row mechanical trans-

planter, w/tank, \$3000; dbl. digger bedder, \$3000; mechanical planter machine for sweet potatoes, \$1000. Todd Cullen, Evergreen; (318) 346-6777.

4020 JD diesel trac., very good cond., \$1000; 5' JD 240 hay cutter, like new cond., \$2000. L. J. Mayeaux, Moreauville; (318) 997-2417.

Minneapolis-Moline trac., model G1000, \$4000; 6' pull-type bush hog, \$600; Case 580 CK backhoe, \$8000; 4 cyl. Perkins diesel engine, w/hyd. pump, \$1200. Freddie Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

7' Woods bush hog, w/3 pt. hookup, drag type, \$1200; 13' Bush Hog brand cutter, model 160, \$3500. F. Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

8N Ford side disc, 5' disc, 4' box blade, good cond., \$2500/all. Cecil Gassiott, Elizabeth; (318) 634-5588

16' water level, \$1000; 20' water level, \$1600; (2) Lilliston 8-row rolling cultivators, \$500/1; bush hog SM-60 side mower, \$500; 24' spray rig, w/200-gal. tank, \$800; Amarillo gear head, 3:1 ratio, \$800; 48" drive shaft for power unit, \$300. Randy Johnson, Rayne; (337) 523-1140.

2003 JD lawn trac., 17 ½ hp L100, 42" cut, w/canopy, 3' umbrella & extra blades, used 77 hrs., \$1500. Charles Overstreet, Lafayette; (337) 988-3426.

Woods 121, 10' bush hog, excel. cond., \$2000. Vince Larussa, Loranger; (985) 878-4571.

(8) JD V-wing attachments, for 7300 planter, \$125/1; set of tanks & racks, 200-gal., for JD trac., \$500; set of 250-gal. poly tanks & racks, for Case Magnum trac., \$800. Derek Dauzat, Marksville; (318) 253-5386.

Farmall Cub, new paint, rebuilt engine, 12-volt system, belly mower, runs great, \$2500; Cub tools, slip, \$150; blade, \$150; disc, \$100; sickle mower, \$50; turning plow, \$50. Bob Benefield, Mansfield; (318) 697-6201.

Continental Belton sprayer, 320-gal. tank, new 30' boom, pump, control valve & plumbing, field ready, \$1200. Doug Dorhauer, Denham Springs; (225) 665-2788.

Kubota L235 diesel, 23 hp, w/bush hog, \$2700. Cyril Cleland, Folsom; (985) 796-5469.

JD 450 dozer, totally reconditioned, 70% undercarriage, new paint, engine, clutch, brakes, too many parts to list, setup for backhoe attachment, \$12,000. Kevin Murphy, Folsom; (985) 796-9681.

JD heavy-duty row builder, 3 pt. hitch, \$300 obo. Larry Common, Harvey; (504) 340-8239.

JD 4020 diesel Synchro, \$10,000, w/dozer blade, \$12,000; JD 3020 diesel Synchro, \$10,000. Terry Bordelon, Estherwood; (337) 783-8200.

1700 JD 6-row planter, dbl. gauge wheels, markers, disc covering, spray, chemical boxes, snaplids, 1700 acres, shedded, caution lights, \$10,000. James Wiltshire, Baskin; (318) 435-5000

Red cub, w/choice of belly

mower or plow arms, \$1300; yellow & wh. cubs, w/choice of belly mower or plow arms, \$1500; yellow & wh. cub w/belly mower, \$2100. Skeet Cooper, Jena; (318) 992-2206.

10' drum-type pasture aerator, on wheels, w/hyd. lift, \$3500 or will trade for cattle. Dave Whitaker, Sieper; (318) 793-2765

NH 638 4x4 baler, 900 bales, \$10,000; Kuhn 700 GMDII cutter, \$4500; NH 256 side del. rake, \$600; JD 721 hay wagon, \$1300, all shed kept, excel. cond. Mark Vining, Amite; (985) 748-8524.

1997 NH 1215, only 173 hrs., w/turning plow, 4' cult., 4' disc, 4' bush hog, 4' box blade & much more, \$5500. Elmer La Bee, Zwolle; (318) 645-2347.

851 NH rd. baler, good cond., field ready, \$1800. Delos Thompson, Jr., Folsom; (985) 796-9872.

1950s model Super "A", w/tools, runs, \$2000 obo; '50s model cub, runs, \$1500. Leo Poirier, Youngsville; (337) 856-4746.

Bolens trac., 4 wd, w/2 cyl. diesel engine, engine has new pistons, completely overhauled, including boring for oversized pistons, built by Iseki, excel. cond., \$3000. Harold Yantis, Zachary; (225) 654-4220.

JD 4420 combine, w/216 flex head, \$4500; IH 480 disc, great cond., \$1200; JD 4-row 7100 plateless planters, \$1200. Jay Helminger, Mansura; (318) 964-2189.

1999 Class baler, Rollant 66, baled approx. 1000 bales, \$10,000; Class cutter, w/conditioner, 4 yrs., \$6500. C. M. Duplechian, Jennings; (337) 824-2989.

4-row buster, w/toolbar, gauge wheels & marker, \$600; 4-row JD planter, \$300. Lawrence Lee, Ville Platte; (337) 363-3522.

Deutz 170 hp power unit, excel. cond., \$5100. Francis Duplachan, Kinder; (337) 738-2398 or (337) 884-4018

2004 JD trac., 5220, 45 hp & PTO, w/JD front-end loader, bucket & hay spear, oversized tires, front & back dual remotes, tilt steering, sy. shuttle transmission & much more, new trac. w/only 4 hrs., \$22,000; '04 Kubota L2800 trac., 25 hp at PTO, new trac., w/only 2 yrs. running, \$9000. Jackie Pierson, Holden; (225) 567-9374

JD 4630 c/a, duals, 4050 hrs., good cond., \$11,000; JD 235 disc, 23'8", good cond., \$3000. John Dean, Dry Prong; (318) 899-5005

85 Hp Cat diesel, w/power take off on tandem trailer, w/65 gal. fuel tank & auto shut off, \$8000. Donald Granger, Delcambre; (318) 685-2261.

2003 NH TB100, 80 PTO hp, 245 hrs., \$19,800; 8' Vicon CM 2400 hay cutter, \$5500; NH 650 rd. baler, \$6500; Walton 3 hp, "V" rake, \$500. Duane Wilson, Slaughter; (225) 683-3044 or (225) 978-5699.

Ford 5030 4 wd trac., 63 PTO hp, '93 model, \$11,500; Ford 4600 trac., 52 PTO hp, \$4700; bush hog,

3 pt. hitch, 7' disc, \$675; 5' bush hog, \$275. Marlon Bell, Jena; (318) 992-4063.

1951 AC WD, wide front, 35 hp, 3 pt. hitch, PTO, completely restored, \$3000 obo. Willie Hurst, Greensburg; (225) 222-6564 or (225) 977-1574.

W & A 8-row hipper, w/Orthman row markers, \$2600; Taylorway 8-row cult., w/fenders, \$1500; Bridger planter, 8-row w/row markers, \$1200. Bobby Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

Bionic type grader blades, new, 5', \$630; 6', \$699; 7', \$819; comm. 7', \$1290. Mike Passman, Amite; (985) 748-5094.

NH rd. baler, model 848, excel. cond., shed kept, \$3500. Benny Kinchen, Tickfaw; (985) 878-9409

6' Grader blade, 3 pt. hitch, \$200; Int. 386, 1-row planter, \$200; 2-row IH cult., \$350; front push blade, for cub cadet, \$50. Chuck Melsheimer, Dry Creek; (337) 666-2892.

3 Pt., 80-gal. stainless spray tank, \$150; sq. hay accumulator elevator for gooseneck trailer, \$600. J. Melsheimer, Dry Creek; (337) 666-2892.

(2) Victor silage wagons, used 2 seasons, shedded, like new, \$6000/1; ag. bagger, G-680, 8', \$3500; 5' JD pickup attachment for JD forage harvester, \$1500. Norman Rodger, DeRidder; (337) 463-3860.

IH 706, LPG, wide front-end, needs work, 6-row cultivator, rolling cult., crop maker, JD 7100 planters w/monitors, \$3500/all. Percell Green, Rayville; (318) 728-6966

JD 4840, power shift, mounted chemical spray tanks, C/H/A, dual 20.8 rear tires, ready to work, \$14,000 obo; JD 9910, cotton picker parts, any or all, \$2000 or will take 8' or 10' pasture clipper in trade. Judy Green, Rayville; (318) 728-6966.

2003 Touti 10-wheel "V" hay rake, hyd. fold, excel. cond., used one season, \$2300. Melanie Rachal, Ville Platte; (337) 363-6641 or (337) 831-1102.

Int. 140 1-row trac., excel. cond., w/many tools, \$4000. Preston Dixon, Plaucheville; (318) 922-3642.

1950 IH Farmall 1800 Servis, 21 hp, w/4' flail belly mower, engine has been rebuilt, tires in excel. cond., \$2500. Joe Yerger, Tallulah; (318) 574-0765 or (318) 574-2619.

1991 Mahindra 450, 45 hp, strong engine, low hrs., ready to work, \$4600; 5' rotary cutter, w/new stump jumper & blades, new, rebuilt heavy-duty deck, \$450. Burel Smith, Lake Charles; (337) 855-3058 or (337) 884-3059.

JD 535 rd. baler, w/bale monitor, make 6x5 bales, excel. cond., shedded, \$13,000. Carroll Trahan, Lafayette; (337) 984-6267.

JD drag-type tandem bush & bog disc, excel. cond., \$450. G. W. Haynes, Shongaloo; (318) 846-2622.

Kubota, 18 hp, 4x4, 4' bush hog, \$3500; Kubota 30 hp, \$7000; Ford

8N, \$2300; (2) gooseneck trailers, \$1000/1. Joseph Major, Church Point; (337) 684-6474 or (337) 945-6960.

IH 480 21' disc, excel. cond., \$1750. Chris Brouillette, Marksville; (318) 253-7067.

(4) Tires, 350 mag off-road, 6-ply rating, excel., used, about 2 yrs., knobby type, 25x10x12 NHS, \$200 obo. Ellis Myers, Springfield; (225) 695-6203.

Like new FX 20 Yanmar trac., w/new front-end loader, power shift, 3 cyl., 27 hp, \$7500 nego. Dustin Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240 or (337) 250-0492.

(2) Turf tires, (2) back tires 13.6-16, (2) 29x12-15 on universal rims for front, \$200/all or trade. Alice Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240.

851 NH rd. hay baler, bailed hay in '04, needs a little work, \$1000. Fred Romero, Arnaudville; (337) 662-7166.

Ford 6710 c/a, G.M. loader, 75 hp, \$13,800; Farmall Super "A", disc, all cultivators, planter, fert. dist., new rear tires, \$2300. Herschel Bryant, Colfax; (318) 627-5117.

IH 5488 trac., new engine & tires, c/a, \$10,995; 26' F.C. field cult., good shape, \$2000; JD 8-row markers, for 7300 planter, like new, \$750; IH duals, 20.8 38 w tires. James Stacy, Natchitoches; (318) 352-3692

MF 80 hp trac., front loader, \$7800. T. Warner, Bossier City; (318) 453-7688.

King Kutter, 7' heavy-duty rear grader blade, like new weights, 700 lbs., 5 rotating & 3 tilting adjustments, \$650 obo; 6' rear grader blade, \$250 obo. Greg Flitter, Greenwell Springs; (225) 261-1100

2000 MF 1235 hydrostatic, w/4 wd, 35 hp, 24.5 PTO hp, 455 hrs., turf tires, power steering, very nice, \$11,000 obo. G. Flitter, Greenwell Springs; (225) 261-1100.

966 Int. uses some oil, \$4900; 20' tandem axle gooseneck, \$1850; 320 NH sq. baler, \$4500; cub w/belly mower, \$1850; JD 830 trac., excel. shape, low hrs., 45 hp, \$7800. T. L. Warner, Bossier City; (318) 453-7688.

2002 Polaris Ranger, 4x4 utility vehicle, 499cc, 430 hrs., \$4900 firm. Dwayne Riche, Cottonport; (318) 964-2473.

pt. hitch, PTO, power steering, 80% rubber, rebuilt engine, new paint & decals, new alt. & gauges, \$4500. Willie Hurst, Greensburg; (225) 222-6564 or (225) 977-1574

NH 660 rd. hay baler, endless belts, automatic tie, baled approx. 700 rolls, new cond., \$8500. Varnell Johnson, DeRidder; (337) 328-7603.

4-Row mechanical sweet potato planter, 3-wheeler type, pull-type, on 4x7 water tank, good shape, 4 yrs., \$3500. Michael Quibedeaux, Mansura; (318) 201-8246 or (318) 964-2451.

1999 Vermeer rd. baler 504I, 4x5 rd. bales, well kept, clean, \$9000. Glen Bruce, Reeves; (337) 666-2239.

IH 854 corn head, \$1200; IH 810 draper header, 16 ½', \$1500; IH 510 grain drill, 14', \$800. Winn Plattsmier, Washington; (337) 826-3129.

1981 14 hp Power King trac., w/type O 3 pt., hydraulics, \$1350; (2) 8.3x24 trac. tires on 5-hole wheels, \$100/both. G. H. Bolen, Lake Charles; (337) 439-3518.

PTO drive stump grinder, 3 pt. hitch, \$500. Larry McClure, Jonesville; (318) 339-8473.

1150 Case dozer, \$11,500 or trade for larger dozer; motor grader blade, circle, gear box, \$750; large Int. trac., \$3500; Komatsu 65P dozer blade, \$1750. Erne Plessala, New Iberia; (337) 229-4971 or (337) 365-5182.

4050 JD trac., w/JD 740 loader bucket & hayfork, \$25,000; 17' Int. field cult., \$1200. Pat Hendry, Kentwood; (985) 229-6384.

JLG 33' reach manlift mounted on trailer, \$2850; 60-gal. 3 pt. fiberglass sprayer, w/10' boom, \$325. Daniel Romero, New Iberia; (337) 380-3795.

Kelly backhoe, 3 pt. hitch, \$750. Leo Burleigh, Eunice; (337) 457-7823.

Rhino pull-type rotary cutter TW 120, excel. cond., \$4750; Rhino RGM pasture aerator never used, \$1750; JD 4020 trac., manual trans., excel. cond., must see to believe, \$10,500. Dan Stephens, Prairieville; (225) 622-2440.

5' bush hog, needs stump jumper, \$250 obo. Jay Calk, Jena; jay85king@yahoo.com or (318) 992-0496.

Red Farmall cub, fresh overhaul, paint, new battery, starter, all front & rear cult. tools, \$2200 obo. J. Calk, Jena; jay85king@yahoo.com or (318) 992-0496.

885 Case trac., \$4000; 7' toolbar field ripper, \$150; 2-wheel homemade seeder & fert. spreader, \$150. L. R. Cooper, Boyce; (318) 443-1987.

Ford 5000, 52 hp trac., new paint, (2) new rear tires, rear hyd. & lights, good running, dependable trac., \$7000. Larry Duhon, Lafayette; (337) 652-6200.

JD 42" lawn mower, \$500; adult saddle, \$200; JD corn crusher on wheels, \$200; Vermeer 3 pt., hyd. lift, \$800. Willie Richard, Rayne; (337) 344-3443.

JD 960 24' field cult, \$2800; JD 4-row floating pick up disc, w/jumbo Gandy chemical boxes, used 1 yr., all bearings & blades new, \$3500; JD 6-bottom turning plow, \$1200; Allis Chalmers, 21' disc, \$600. Jay Helminger, Mansura; (318) 964-2189.

JD 6200, 68 hp, cab ac, power quad, 3000+ hrs., great cond., \$23,950. Mannie Bullich, Eunice; (337) 457-0580.

Case/IH 900 planter, 6-row, chemical boxes, row markers, chemical pre-emerge sprayer, complete set of plates for cotton, corn, milo & soybeans, \$1200; Case 2294 trac., 135 hp, cab/air, duals, front weights, quick hitch, 5700 hrs., original owner, \$8500. J. M. Blaney, Jr., Harrisonburg; (318) 744-5705.

Bermuda King planter, \$6800; Bermuda King sprig digger, \$5950 Pasture Dream planter, \$3500; seat & frame, \$337. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 578-9958.

5' Bush hog, recently rebuilt & newly painted, great cond., \$400. Charles Simoneaux, Port Allen; (225) 627-4630.

Restored Ferguson T020, \$2950; Farmall Cub, w/disc plow, rebuilt engine, good tires, new paint, \$1950. M. Scheffler, Minden; (318) 337-5918.

Hayfork, w/lift 4x5, 5x5 or 6x6 bales, will hook up to any 3 pt., new, \$160. Blake Veillon, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4355 or (337) 831-3247.

16' PZ DS5000 hay fluffer, needs minor repair, \$450; 678 NH baler, males 5x5 bales, like new, hardly used, \$15,000 nego. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 363-662-3758.

Wanted: Int. trac. for parts, 706, 766, 606, 666, 506, 556, also 6' tandem 3 pt. disc. Brenda Gray, DeRidder; (337) 328-8244.

Wanted: buy or rent manure spreader to use in planting Jigg sprigs. Weber Fontenot, Iowa; (337) 582-3491 or (337) 540-2616.

Wanted: used 5' box scraper, w/scafied teeth. Keith Dupuis, St. Martinville; (337) 394-6588.

Wanted: used 11-36 or 11-38 rear trac. tires. R. L. Hollie, Starks; (337) 743-5412.

Wanted: manure spreader, must be in working cond., age not important, reasonably priced. T. Conner, Leesville; terenceconner@aol.com or (337) 238-1259.

Wanted: rear trac. tires, 14.9 36 R1 or R2, fits JD 2010, 2020, 3010 etc. Lee Schexnaider, Abbeville; (337) 892-0879.

Wanted: 16' JD disc, want to trade for 12' or 14' disc, my disc is in very good shape. Ken Bradford, Montgomery; (318) 646-2370.

Wanted: used 10' pasture cutter, in the SE Louisiana area. Steven Marino, Franklinton; (985) 892-5029

Wanted: MF trac. front-end loader, for '02 model, 45 hp. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

Wanted: tracs., all sizes, makes, models, running or not. Bert Ruprecht, St. Landry; (318) 838-2913

Wanted: 15' Rhino or bush hog shredder. Fred Lucky, Bossier City; (318) 747-1873.

Wanted: used parts for red Cub trac. Mack Saacks, Folsom; (985) 796-5456.

Wanted: old JD 450 dozer for parts, in any cond. Kevin Murphy, Folsom; (985) 796-9681.

Wanted: parts for Ford 6000 diesel trac. Luther Miller, Eunice; (337) 247-0589.

Wanted: rear-wheel weights, to fit JD 6410 trac., w/flanged axle, also JD forklift attachment, to fit JD 641 or 741 front-end loader, Kuhn hay fluffer, model GF-5001 THA, box blade, 6'-7'. Doug Dorhauer, Denham Springs; (225) 665-2788.

Wanted: used 7' Rhino bush hog, pull-type or 3 pt., field ready. J. N. Andrus, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4214.

Wanted: Case 450 dozers, any shape, whole or in parts. P. R, Krantz, Krotz Springs; (337) 592-0170.

Wanted: pallet forks, to fit a front-end loader on small trac. Dickie Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240.



1974 Int. 1600 Loadstar dump truck, \$700; '78 6500 GMC CC, \$400; (2) new 225/70 R1G tires, \$100. H. Starks, Walker; (225) 664-9582.

2002 Sierra GMC, V8, auto, towing, extra leaf in spring, 255 x 70-16 tires, 53,000 miles, bed liner & rails, \$11,900. Martin Bailey, Ville Platte; (337) 599-2865 or (337) 360-6075.

1976 Chevrolet truck, w/18'x8'x4' gooseneck hyd. dump grain trailer, \$9000. G. Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

2004 Dodge 2500 HD 4x4 diesel, auto, towing pkg., cruise control, CD-tape player, nerf bars, bed rails, liner & toolbox, 20,000 miles, \$35,000. Scott Chustz, Lottie; (225) 718-5391.

(4) 17" alum. Ford truck rims, \$200/all. Mike Keating, Broussard; (337) 837-1866 or (337) 288-3899.

1987 Ford Bronco, 6 cyl., 4 spd., manual hubs, cold a/c, \$1850. T. Truxillo, Franklinton; (985) 839-5302.

1993 Ford F-350, less than 50,000 miles, w/26' scissor lift, raises to 25' platform, \$7800. Gerd Oppenheim, Norwood; (225) 629-5937 or (504) 866-6551.

1984 Dodge ³/₄-ton, w/new 318 engine, good body & tires, good work truck, \$2500. Buvens Deshautelle, Marksville; (318) 253-9534.

1993 Ford XLT 2-ton, 113,200 miles, 5 spd. banks turbo, toolbo, dragup tank, steel rear bumper, 1 owner, excel. cond., \$6100. J. M. Johnson, Mandeville; (985) 626-4938.

White '95 F-350, factory flatbed, 1-ton, super duty, power stroke diesel truck, 130,000 miles, good cond., \$7000. J. D. Alexander, Jr., Harrisonburg; (318) 744-5560.

1992 Ford Ranger XLT, 2.3 engine, 11,000 miles, new radiator, water pump, & tires, 5 spd., w/over drive, no oil leaks, excel. cond., \$2950 nego. Stanford Domingue, Duson; (337) 873-8717.

1973 C60 Chevrolet bobtail, 366 industrial engine, 17' steel bed, 2 spd. rear-end, \$1200; '86 GMC bobtail, 427 engine, 20' steel bed, 2 spd. rear end, air brakes, \$3800. Jay Helminger, Mansura; (318) 964-2189.

1988 Ford Econline 150 handicapped van, good cond., good a/c & heater, w/lift & opt. handicapped driving equip., \$3500. Anthony Reno; Ethel; (225) 683-9645.



1000-gal. water trailer, 5th wheel, good shape, \$1000. James Stacy, Natchitoches; (318) 352-3692.

5'x10' utility trailer, great cond., heavy-duty axles, \$435. Ricky Leger, Jr., Eunice; (337) 457-5892.

1995 4-Star, 3-horse slant, 38' overall, 14' sw, all alum., new tires, hyd. jack, vacuum over hyd. brakes, gorgeous custom oak cabinets, large bathroom, w/large shower, loaded, \$28,000. Toni Hardy, New Iberia; (337) 365-6237.

40' diamond plate trailer, good for bridge or farm uses, \$800; 18' dump trailer, good cyl. & tires, \$1500. Algy Irvin, Thibodaux; (985) 448-1101.

Large double team wagon, trail ready, hydraulic brakes, electric 12 volt system, twin beds, potty room, side box storage, (2) burner camper stove, \$3000. Frank Nicosia, Independence; (985) 878-4933

45' 18-wheeler tool trailer, w/office, tires in good cond., w/dual tandem axles, good cond., \$2800 firm. Letha Davis, Independence; (985) 878-6944 or (985) 320-4545.

Class C camper special, sleeps 6, great for hunters or horsemen, low miles, newly remodeled, runs great, \$4200 nego. R. Romero, Abbeville; (337) 898-5890.

Big 2-wheel show/driving cart, suitable for horse/draft horse, red & blk., new cond., \$1200. Edd Cato, Calhoun; (318) 644-1888 or (318) 235-5434.

2004 Exiss sport 3-horse slant, alum., gooseneck, dressing room, rear removable tack, drop down windows, hardly hauled, excellent condition, \$12,500. Kimberly George, Dry Creek; (337) 328-8229

Trutrail low profile lamb/goat/hog trailer, good cond., \$2950. Charles Wooten, Duson; (337) 981-7494.

24' WW gooseneck cattle trailer, metal top, 3-axles, brakes & springs, good cond., \$3000. Ralph Robinson, Ida; (318) 284-3530.

2004 4-Star 4-horse trailer, w/12' living quarters, mid tack, like new, self contained, \$63,000. M. Hargrove, Centerpoint; (318) 229-1019.

Older steel 2-horse step-up bumper-pull horse trailer, extra tall/long, thoroughbred size, not pretty, but pulls really well, great tagalong w/tack under manger, mats included, good floor & tires, needs spare & paint, see pics on www.patrioticpony.com, \$900. Cathe Charlier, Youngsville; (337) 857-0297.

(3) Used steel dump trailers, 20'-30' long, perfect for hauling concrete or construction debris, \$2500-\$3500/1. John Fell, Scott;

(337) 873-6870.

12' cattle trailer, dual axle, new oak floor, \$750. James Cox, Ethel; (225) 683-9706.

1994 WW 3-horse slant, steel, w/sleeping area, shower, sink & a/c, \$6500. Robert Daily, Trout; (318) 992-2349.

20' Bumper-pull, low-boy trailer, 6'10" wide, 6000 lb. axles, w/elec. brakes, loading ramps, like new, \$2900; 36' gooseneck trailer, 8' wide, 3-axles, elec. brakes, w/10-ton axles each, ducktail & ramps, w/springs, excel. cond., \$3500. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

2000 Gooseneck Featherlite, 3-horse slant, complete sleeping quarters, 16' awning, excel. cond., \$19,500. Randell Guillory, Iowa; (337) 302-3822 or (337) 474-0916.

8'x14' Gooseneck flatbed trailer, single wheel, dual axle, electric brakes, 10-ply tires, 8' ramps, Drings, used once yearly to haul hay, excel. cond., \$5100. John Mailhes, Keithville; (318) 925-0898.

Mini & pony 2-wheel carts, rubber & wooden wheels, mini 4-wheel wagon, 2-wheel pleasure cart, for large horse, \$400/1-up. Darron Cunningham, Albany; (225) 567-9594.

1993 Ponderosa, 2-horse slant load, steel gooseneck, living quarters, tack area in back, \$3000. Linda Barnes, Bastrop; (318) 281-8675

1984 Harrell 2-horse trailer, bumper-pull, extra tall, repainted, very little rust & good floor, slide out saddle racks, \$1000. Nicki Mayeux, Port Allen; (225) 627-6420.

WW 2-horse, bumper-pull trailer, gray, good cond., \$1200. Webster LeBlanc, Abbeville; (337) 893-7182.

16' Kema trailer, w/brakes, \$900; military jeep w/Ford V8 engine, needs clutch, \$300; '41 Willy's jeep, 4 wd, \$900. John Rosique, Port Barre; (337) 585-6687

53' trailer, \$10,000; 3-axle alum. dump trailer, \$10,000. J. L. Beasley, Baker; (225) 7745-4355 or (225) 775-3362.

Bumper-pull, single-axle trailer, w/new frame & bottom boards, \$300. R. H. Broussard, New Iberia; (337) 369-3229.

Gooseneck equip. trailer, 27', 3 axle, \$2500. Marlon Bell, Jena; (318) 992-4063.

1978 Winnebago, 45K, new holding tanks, commode, all new engine parts, Onan generator, excel. cond., \$4000. Pat Swido, Marksville; (318) 447-1842.

(35) Cotton trailers, 8'-10' wide, 24'-40' long, for hay trailers or storing crawfish traps, good to excel. cond., del. avail., \$500-\$1450. T. L. Enright, Sr., Sicily Island; (318) 389-5395.

Wanted: '48-'58 Dodge power wagon. S. Poole, DeRidder; (337) 462-0946.

Wanted: Yale 3/4-ton pull-lift. S. Poole, DeRidder; (337) 462-0946.

Wanted: small, 4-wheel gravity feed wagon, in good cond. Gerd Oppenheim, Norwood; (225) 629-5937 or (504) 866-6551.

FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

2004 Rover utility vehicle, like gator or mule, great cond., less than 40 hrs., \$3500. Ricky Leger, Jr., Eunice; (337) 457-5892.

Diamond plated alum. dbl. door, dog box, w/handle rail around top, manufactured by UWS, excel. cond., \$300. M. Perrin, Ponchatoula; (985) 845-2402 or (985) 969-0518.

Welding machine, Miller metric mig, w/spool gun, 250/30 amp, sturdy stand, extras, \$1950; plasma cutter, Miller Spectrum 650, sturdy stand, \$950. Ken Pitre, Eunice; (337) 457-5686.

Cow feeders, w/tops, 4x4, \$175; 4x6, \$200; 4x8, \$225; fence post, plastic, 3 ½"x6', \$1.5/1. S. W. Gourdon, Goldonna; (318) 357-0616.

Okra cutters, hand operated, small \$130/1. Franklin Courvelle, Opelousas; (337) 407-0188.

(2) 14' alum. gates, (1) 6-bar, (1) 7-bar, never used, \$63/1; (1) grain weighing dump scale, \$75. J. C. Landreneau, Ville Platte; (337) 363-6088.

Lincoln AC 225-S, variable voltage arc welder, very good cond., \$200. Gaston Rabalais, Mansura; (318) 964-2268.

Bumper-pull single-axle trailer, w/new frame & bottom boards, \$300; hyd. post driver, \$500; live-stock prod, \$35; nose tongs, \$16; (70) 7/8"x4' fiberglass glass elec. fence post, \$3.5/1 or \$3/1 if all taken. R. H. Broussard, New Iberia; (337) 369-3229.

Generator KVA, 2/5 type A, 22 amps, 60 cyc., 1800 rpm, \$340; hoisting engine, w/gearbox, cat head, Wisconsin engine, \$340, cash, both in good cond. Boots Guillot, Lacombe; (985) 882-7101.

250-gal. fuel tank, on skids, w/hand crank pump, small hole, repairable, \$100. David Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4334 or (337) 363-1983.

2 3/8" tubing, 85¢/ft.; 2 7/8", 95¢/ft.; 3 ½" tubing, \$1.75/ft., small & larger sizes also avail. Terri Brasseaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8462.

2 3/8" tubing, 85¢/ft.; 2 7/8" tubing, 95¢/ft.; new 8" PVC, 200', \$2/ft. Gene Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

(2) 600-bushel grain tanks, w/unloading augers, \$1200; 500-gal. skid mounted fuel tank, \$300. G. Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

55-gal. plastic drums, \$20/1; 2 7/8" drill pipe, 90¢/ft. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 363-662-3758.

17" Roping saddle, like new, \$550; 15" Hereford roper, excel. cond., \$350; 15" barrel saddle, \$350. Ed Durr, Jr., Amite; (985) 748-5556

3-Ton chain hoist, manual lever type, \$125; (2) used propane tanks, 150-gal. & 250-gal., \$50. F.

Goudeau, Jr., Melville; (337) 623-4710

(2) 15" x 20' long interlocking culverts, blk., never used, \$90/1. Ronald Clasen, Ponchatoula; (985) 370-4440.

30"x42" 2 tier rolling tool cart, \$40; air chisel, w/many attachments, \$40; heavy-duty buffer w/pad, \$50; 1/4" air drill, \$50; orbital sander w/extra pad, \$40. Stefanie Duhon, Lafayette; (337) 652-6200.

Good bosal, w/head stall, \$20; quick stock, w/head stall, \$20; alum. grazing bit, \$20; youth stirrups, w/leathers, hangs on saddle, \$20. Larry Duhon, Lafayette; (337) 652-6200.

2002 welding machine, Lincoln Classic 1D, 200 amp Perkins diesel, 800 hrs., still under warranty, \$6500. John Wilkinson, Independence; (985) 507-5994.

New galv. panels, w/mud boots, all include 4' bow gate, 40' rd. pen, \$682; 50' rd. pen, \$835; 60' rd. pen, \$1039. Michael Passman, Amite; (985) 748-5094.

Cypress lumber, under shed, stick dried, various widths & lengths, disc. for large order, 70¢/board ft. Brian Still, Taylor; (318) 548-9059.

Go-cart, 11 hp, (2) seats, 1 yr., excel. cond., \$1800. Paul Dupre, Opelousas; (337) 942-2135 or (337) 945-3653.

Un-used Troxel Legacy Gold riding helmet, blk., med., \$30; Allflex handheld stock prod, \$15; quality English bits, jointed Kimberwick & dbl. twisted wire snaffle, \$15. Debby Sharbaugh, Ethel; (225) 683-4919.

1998 TRX 300 EX Honda 4-wheeler, \$2000. Freddie Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

Plastic drums, closed top, 55-gal., wh., \$10/1. E. J. Flanagan, Hammond; (985) 345-1498.

15 1/2" saddle, good leather, back girt, \$225. Percell Green, Jr., Rayville; (318) 728-6966.

Complete Tucker saddle package, Cheyenne 17", breast collar, halter/bridle, w/trail glide stirrups, new costs \$1500, sell for \$850. Ed Cato, Calhoun; (318) 644-1888 or (318) 235-5434.

Heavy-duty Big Valley self-catching head gate, excel. cond., \$350. Dick Covington, Amite; (985) 748-4717.

(3) Pleasure saddles, (3) bridles, (3) blankets, excel. cond. Anthony Reno; Ethel; (225) 683-9645.

Goat milk pasteurizer, like new, \$100; miniature horse dbl. harness set, \$200. Cynthia Britton, Zachary; (225) 658-9293, (225) 939-5391 or www.dachshundfarms.com.

Galv. rd. pens, all include 4' walk-through bow gate, 40', \$650; 50', \$750; 60', \$850; 80', \$1075. Carl Barlow, Pride; (225) 603-5610.

Galv. corral panels, 5'x10', \$45/1 or \$1000/25; 5'x12' heavyduty, \$57/1 or \$1350/25; 140'x240' arena, w/10' gate, \$2995. Billy Barlow, Pride; (225) 603-5610.

Wanted: feed mixer wagon. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-

Wanted: old saddles & tack, any cond., within 50 miles of Alexandria. Ralph Feazell, Pineville; (318) 445-0957.

Wanted: used livestock fence panels, must be located in west to central La. Nelda Hanzi, Houston; nhanzi@study-session.com or (832) 717-3718.



Please include a statement along with your ad indicating how the item has been or can be used on a farm.

Old horse manure, shavings, top soil, sand mix, excel. for flower bed, del. avail., \$10/1-yard. Lee Cook, Husser; (985) 748-7043.

All-natural, old-time, homeground, cornmeal or yellow grits, nothing added or removed, ground fresh when ordered, \$4.5/5 lbs. Audrey Miller, Sunset; (337) 662-5456.

Soybean candles, 95% soot free, can be used as a warm body lotion, supports the American farmer, 8 oz., \$8/1. Karen or Hank Schumacher, Husser: (985) 747-1239.

Goat milk soap, natural & good for your skin, no petroleum or artificial ingredients, various scents, \$4/1. Melanie Blackmer, Lake Charles; Pdavenp913@aol.com or (337) 478-2208.

7' Barbecue pit, on wheels, w/2-doors & 4' slide out trays, \$1500. Freddie Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

Wanted: old sugar or syrup kettles, any size. Steven, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-8739 or (225) 938-9366.

Wanted: old coke machines or signs. Kathy, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-8739 or (225) 938-9366.

Wanted: venders for Saturday morning St. Martinville Creole Farmers Mkt., particularly produce venders, homemade food items, baked goods, seafood etc. Wanda Barras, St. Martinville; (337) 394-6683

FAIRS & FESTIVALS

Seventh Annual Jonquil Jubilee historic home and garden tour will be held March 5 in Gibsland. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased the day of the tour at Sylvan Retreat & downtown. For more information, contact Holly at (318) 843-6228.

Iowa rabbit festival will be held March 18-20. For more information, contact jkershaw@bellsouth.net or (337) 433-8475.

Spring Heritage Festival will be held from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. April 24 at the Laurel Valley Village Store on Hwy. 308. Admission is free. Crafters interested in participating in this years festival please contact Paul Leslie at (985) 447-5216 or (985) 448-4885.

Odom named to Ag. Hall of Fame

Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom was presented the 2005 Louisiana Agriculture Hall of Fame award by the Louisiana Agricultural Consultants Association (LACA) during their annual conference in Alexandria.

Dr. Grady Coburn and Ray Young, past presidents of LACA, surprised Odom with the award following his speech Wednesday afternoon.

"I am so grateful to be named to the list of distinguished recipients of the Hall of Fame award," Odom said. "Because I was an ag consultant prior to becoming Commissioner, I know these people and the work they do. They are vital to the ag community and its survival. To be singled out by them and presented this award is truly an honor."

Odom has won numerous awards during his tenure as Agriculture and Forestry Commissioner and prior to that while working for the department and as an ag consultant. In 1970, he was recognized for outstanding service to agriculture by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture. 1976, In Commissioner Odom was commended by Concurrent

Resolution of the Louisiana Legislature for many years of exemplary work with the Louisiana Department Agriculture. In 1982, he was awarded the Degree Honorary American Farmer by the Future Farmers of America. In 1995, the Biotechnology Industry Organization, a group representing more than 570 biotechnology companies and academic institutions, named him Outstanding Agriculture Commissioner of the Year. In 1996, Commissioner Odom was named Man of the Year by the Progressive Farmer for his efforts to promote agriculture and agribusiness.

While presenting Odom the Hall of Fame award, Coburn said it was long overdue. He lauded Odom's outstanding service to the ag industry during his seven terms in office and the good he has accomplished for the state.

"I appreciate Grady's kind words," Odom said.
"Louisiana's farmers and ranchers are like family to me. I have dedicated my life to preserving the rural way of life in this state and as long as I'm around, I will continue to support and promote Louisiana agriculture and forestry."



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California agricultural officials allow Louisiana bees to enter their state, provided they are certified fire ant free by Louisiana inspectors.

Once the bees' work is completed in California they are sent back to Louisiana to continue the busy work of making honey.

Coming Your Way

Livingston Horse Show Association has shows scheduled for 9 a.m. March 5 and 26.

Age groups include peanut, peewee, junior and senior. Classes include halter, performance, English and gaited, timed events and novice.

For more information, contact Deloris Senez at (225) 664-3150 or Wanda Johnson at (225) 664-3169.

North Louisiana Poultry Club is hosting an open show and junior show March 12 at the fairgrounds in Haynesville.

The show will feature large fowl and bantams.

For more information, contact Jerry McCarty at (318) 949-0027.

Louisiana Angus Association is holding a female sale at noon March 12 at the LSU AgCenter's Dean Lee Research Center in Lecompte.

Sixty lots of black Angus open and bred heifers, cow/calf pairs, and three-in-one packages avail-

For more information, contact American Livestock Brokers at (662) 837-4904, alb@dixienet.com or www.americanlivestockbrokers.com.

Deep South Stock Horse Show Association will hold open horse shows March 12, March 26 and April 9 at Shady Park Arena in Baton Rouge.

The shows include Western judged and timed events.

Halter begins at 9 a.m., judged at 10:30 a.m. and speed after 1 p.m. High point and high poin reserve

awards will be presented at each show. Points will acrue for end of the year awards.

For more information, contact Jenny Redhead at (225) 978-2447.

Calcasieu Horseman's Club will host open horse shows March 12 and April 23 at the Burton Arena in Lake Charles.

The shows are PAC approved and feature four age divisions and classes for special needs riders.

Classes include halter, color, showmanship, leadline, Western and English disciplines, reigning and speed events.

Seven additional shows are planned for the remainder of the vear.

For more information, contact (337) 528-9441 or (337) 794-0662.

Louisiana American Saddlebred Horse Association is hosting a spring horse show March 19-20 at Lagniappe Farms in Folsom.

The two-day show will feature classes for Saddlebred horses and open classes for other breeds and disciplines.

For more information, contact Barbara Grannan at (985) 893-1880 or visit the Web site www.lasha.org.

High Delta Exotic Game Ranch will have an exotic animal sale at noon March 19 in Delhi.

The auction will be live and on video. Transportation services will be available to buyers and sellers who do not have adequate vehicles to transport animals.

For more information, contact Jeffery Swank at swankj@aol.com,

(318) 878-9708 or (850) 519-1129. **Louisiana Bull Testing**Association and the LSU AgCenter are hosting the 44th Annual Performance Tested Bull Sale at noon March 19 at the Dean Lee

The bulls will be performance evaluated and screened. About 25-35 bulls of several breeds, yearlings and a few older bulls, will be available.

Research Station in Lecompte.

Jack Dillard is the scheduled auctioneer

For more information, contact Danny F. Coombs at (318) 473-6528

A Louisiana Hayride competitive trail ride is scheduled for April 9-10 in the Kisatchie National Forest near Melder.

The timed distance trail ride is sanctioned by the North American Trail Ride Conference and will have horsemanship and veterinary judging open to all breeds.

Novice riders will cover a maximum of 40 miles during the two days and open riders will cover a maximum of 60 miles. Their is a 60-rider limit for the competition.

For more information, contact Grace Simcoe at (225) 654-0864 or GSimcoe@aol.com.

Louisiana Tech University's farm production sale will be held at 1 p.m. May 7 in Ruston.

Animals available include horses, heifers, steers, hogs and lambs.

A Web site has been set up for the sale at www.livestocksale.latech.edu.

For more information, contact Dr. Gary Kennedy at (318) 257-3275.

Farm offers organic produce

"The only way that they're gonna get it any fresher is by going out there themselves, picking it off the tree, and eating it."

That's the pledge organic farmer Russell Roy makes on the Web site for his 105-acre farm, Pastime Farms, in Amite.

For the second year, Pastime Farms is offering delivery of fresh, organic herbs and produce for the 2005 growing season to several south Louisiana locations.

Each week for about 20 weeks (June 1-Nov. 1), weather permitting, allotments of seasonal fruits, vegetables and herbs will be picked and delivered to drop-off points within 36 hours. Weekly deliveries will consist of roughly 10-12 pounds of produce.

Participation in the program costs \$400. For an additional \$5 per delivery, home delivery is available in some areas. The deadline to sign up and pay to participate is May 5. Late participants will be accepted for an additional fee.

Organic produce allotments will include bell peppers, sweet corn, blueberries, eggplant, several varieties of squash, cucumbers, pears, tomatoes, cornmeal, okra, figs and potatoes. Organic herbs will include parsley, oregano, dill, chives, cilantro, rosemary, sage and mint.

Two or more households may split produce allotments, but one household is responsible for full payment and distribution of the allotment.

Pastime Farms is also looking

for Associate Administrators to provide drop-off locations in local areas. Associate Administrators will receive a complimentary produce allotment. There are currently drop-off locations in the New Orleans/North Shore, Baton Rouge, Tangipahoa/Livingston parishes and Ascension Parish areas.

Pastime Farms was started by Roy, his wife and brother in 1998 and is the largest USDA certified organic farm in Louisiana. Roy originally grew organic produce at the farm to supply food companies and health food stores. The produce delivery program began last year and had 70 participants. This year his produce will be grown exclusively for the produce allotment program.

Information and a participation form are available online at www.nolaorganics.com. more information in the New Orleans/North Shore area, contact local administrator Matt Hooks at (985) 246-9685. In the Baton Rouge area, contact local administrator Connie Bernard at 216-1888. In the Tangipahoa/Livingston parishes area, contact Bickie's Health Food at (985) 345-3709 or (985) 345-0035. In the Ascension Parish area, contact Lynn Vincent 673-9382 (225)machacv@eatel.net.

These local administrators will coordinate the dates and locations for participants to pick up their weekly allotments.

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the brucellosis tag," Burcham said. "We recover more cattle from the brucellosis tag."

The brucellosis tag, attached to a cow's ear, records brucellosis vaccinations. Although the brucellosis tag is a good proof of ownership, it is not required for all cattle. Burcham said he has sometimes resorted to an unorthodox way of identifying ownership if there is no brucellosis tag, brand or other identifying mark. He'll let the cows identify the owner.

"If a cattleman thinks someone has stolen his cows, he'll go to the sale barn on sale day and look for them because there are fewer sale barns than there's ever been," Burcham said. "If you got a set of cows a guy's been feeding day in and day out for a year, they're used to seeing what he looks like and smells like. I'll put the man up on the catwalk at the sale barn and those cows will look up at him and won't take their eyes off him."

Although the Brand Commission's original purpose was to prevent and investigate cattle theft, with passage of the 1992 law broadening their

jurisdiction, they are often called in to assist various parish law enforcement agencies with investigations involving farm animals, farm machinery and timber larceny.

The reason for this, Burcham said, is there are fewer farms in Louisiana than ever before and fewer parish and city police officers who have any knowledge of farm life or expertise investigating agricultural crime.

Sergeant Brett Cooper of the DeSoto Parish Sheriff's office agreed.

"When we get something like how much is a cow worth or how much is a bull worth or what kind of horse is that or what should we be looking for we call the Brand Commission officers," Cooper said. "We had someone who did some illegal bulldozing on a piece of property and knocked down some trees so we called John Terrell to see how much that stuff was worth."

Currently Burcham and Terrell are involved in a year-long investigation of a series of animal feed thefts from the Shreveport Purina/Land O'Lakes Feed Mill. So far the thefts total more than \$500,000.

Terrell recently recovered a trailer loaded with some of the stolen feed. By using the trailer's vehicle identification number he found the wagon had been stolen. Enroute to Mansfield to get an arrest warrant signed for the trailer thief, Burcham and Terrell visited the utility vehicle's rightful owner and arranged its return.

"We like to give folks the personal contact," Burcham said.

Recent cases Burcham has investigated include pig theft, goat theft and a horse electrocution. A horse electrocution?

Burcham said two weeks ago a man rode his horse to a local store in Mansfield, tied it up and went inside. A few minutes later, he exited the store, took the horse by the reins and walked it to the house next door. While the horse owner was holding the reins the animal fell dead to the ground. By the burn marks near the circuit box on the building, Burcham determined the horse had acciden-

tally been electrocuted.

Burcham's investigation revealed that a substandard 220-volt wire was run underground to another utility shed away from the main building. The defective line was bleeding electricity into the wet ground.

"The combination of the thousand-pound weight of the horse shod with steel horseshoes standing on the wet, soggy ground probably caused it to be shocked to death," Burcham said.

Although the equine fatality was an accident and not a crime, Burcham, like any good crime scene investigator called for a necropsy and gathered the scorched horseshoes as evidence.

Burcham brought the horseshoes to Dr. Tracy Mead, a DeSoto Parish veterinarian, for examination. Mead agreed that the horseshoe burn marks were consistent with electrocution.

Burcham's investigation will provide information in case there is any civil liability.

Burcham said the reasons for agricultural criminal activity are

often no different from crime in urban areas.

"A lot of the cases are committed because something happened in these people's lives where their finances went away, and they saw an opportunity to make some money by stealing some cattle or taking some timber," Burcham said. "And they use that money to pay child support, pay a debt or buy illegal substances, such as drugs."

Burcham and Terrell urged anyone with information about agricultural crime to report it to the state's farm-related Crimestoppers Hotline at 1-800-558-9741. Calls can be handled anonymously and a reward up to \$1,000 is available for information leading to an arrest or to the substantial recovery of stolen property.

Just like in the heyday of the old cowboys, cattle rustlers of a different sort are still plying their trade. And as long as criminals are busy, the cow cops will continue to ride the modern range protecting Louisiana and ensuring that justice is done.

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In hot pursuit of rural crime

By Sam Irwin

ity folks know to call the police when their car or home is burgled, but who do country folks notify when the cows don't come home? Who do you call when the old gray mare is stolen, the tractor, the hay wagon or the 100 sacks of chicken feed stacked in the barn?

In Louisiana you call the cow cops.

The cow cops, or more correctly, Louisiana Livestock Brand Commission officers, are part of a law enforcement agency within the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry.

By a series of laws passed by the state legislature beginning in 1944, Brand Commission investigators are authorized by the Louisiana State Police to investigate all aspects of crimes and incidents that have an agricultural flavor. Most recently, in 1992, Commissioner Bob Odom went to the Legislature at the request of the Louisiana Sheriff's Association and had the law amended to expand the Brand Commission's jurisdiction to include, in addition to livestock theft, all manner of farm-related crime. Brand commission officers are armed, carry police badges and have full police powers in their area of responsibility.

In other words, if you're caught rustling cattle, it won't be the State Police making the arrest; it will be a Livestock Brand Commission officer.

"A brand inspector is just a state police officer of a different type," says Carnie Burcham, a brand inspector since 1997. Including his eight years with the Brand Commission, Burcham has 31 years of police work behind him. He

served as a State Trooper for nine years and a sheriff's detective with the Caddo Parish Sheriff's office for 15 years.

Burcham and fellow Brand Commission investigator John Terrell cover a six-parish area in northwest Louisiana.

"We have full police powers," Burcham said. "We concentrate our efforts on farm-related issues, but sometimes we get diverted to back up police officers from other agencies. But they also back us up."

The main thrust of the Brand Commission's police work is to investigate crime concerning agriculture and forestry, including theft of livestock, farm machinery, feed and timber.

Scientific innovations in agriculture have led to ultra-modern and high-tech gadgetry in the cattle business. Computer records, microchips, freeze branding, bar-coded identification tags are all common in farm animal industries and provide easy ways for owners, sale barn managers and feed-lot operators to track cattle movement.

These innovations also make it easier for the cow cops to find stolen animals.

The advancement of technology in agriculture has also required the services and skills of a new breed of agricultural criminal investigator.

Burcham has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and a minor in animal science from Loyola University in New Orleans. Terrell has a forestry degree from Louisiana Tech University in Ruston. Both have had extensive training in law enforce-



Brand Commission Investigator Carnie Burcham and Veterinarian Tracy Mead examine scorch marks on three horseshoes during the investigation of an electrocuted horse (above). Feed sacks will be kept as evidence (below) for an ongoing investigation of thefts totaling more than \$500,000 at the Purina/Land O' Lakes Feed Mill in Shreveport.

ment techniques from various police academies.

"The good old cowboy side of brand inspection does not meet the standard or need in law enforcement for the paperwork a police officer has to be prepared to do," Burcham said.

State law requires that brand commission inspectors be present at commercial barns for all livestock sales, so it is difficult for stolen cattle to be sold at a public sale. According to Burcham, the days of cowboys roaming the plains and stealing a herd are long gone. Today, most of the cattle theft involves paper.

"Most cattle thieves will not bring stolen cattle to a stockyard," Burcham said. "But they will write a hot check or an account closed check. We're currently conducting an investigation involving three stockyards where a \$100,000 worth of cattle were purchased with a fraudulent bank draft.

"It's a white-collar type crime," Burcham said. Investigating these types of crimes means a lot of old-fashioned police work tracking and matching paper trails

But Burcham said sometimes a buyer may unwittingly purchase stolen cattle from an unscrupulous dealer in a private sale. Often, the fraud is discovered by the brand inspector when the purloined cattle are presented at a sale barn.

"The brand inspector catches it when he sees the brand or reads **See Rural crime**, page 10